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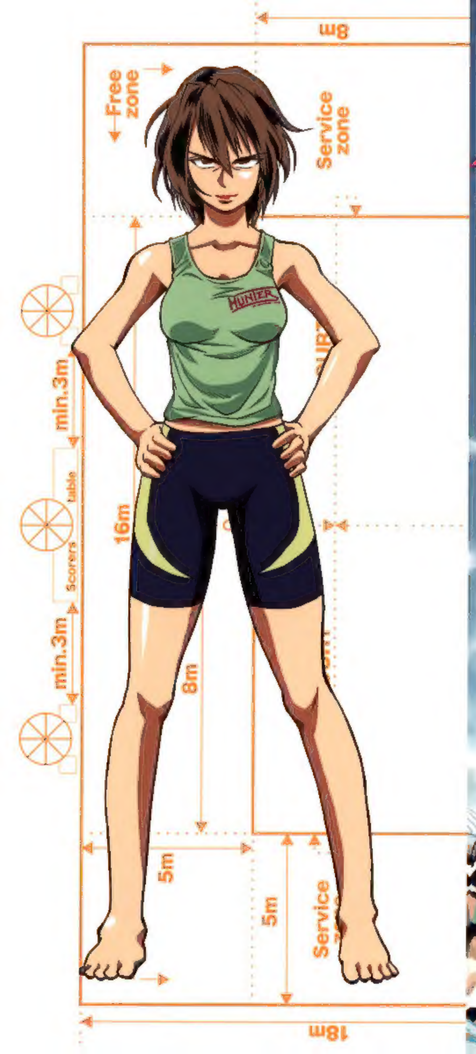

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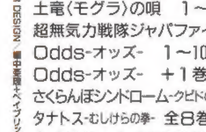

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2002年、「とったが勝ち!」(少年サンデーR増刊秋号)でデビュー。
以後、少年サンデー超増刊にて「伝説の帰宅部Returner」を連載し、
少年サンデー本誌にて読切「地球防衛パッパパーマン」を掲載。
そして、2009年5月12日創刊の月刊少年誌・
「ゲッサン―月刊少年サンデー―」にて、
新章☆新連載「ザ!! ビーチスターズ」を開始!!!!

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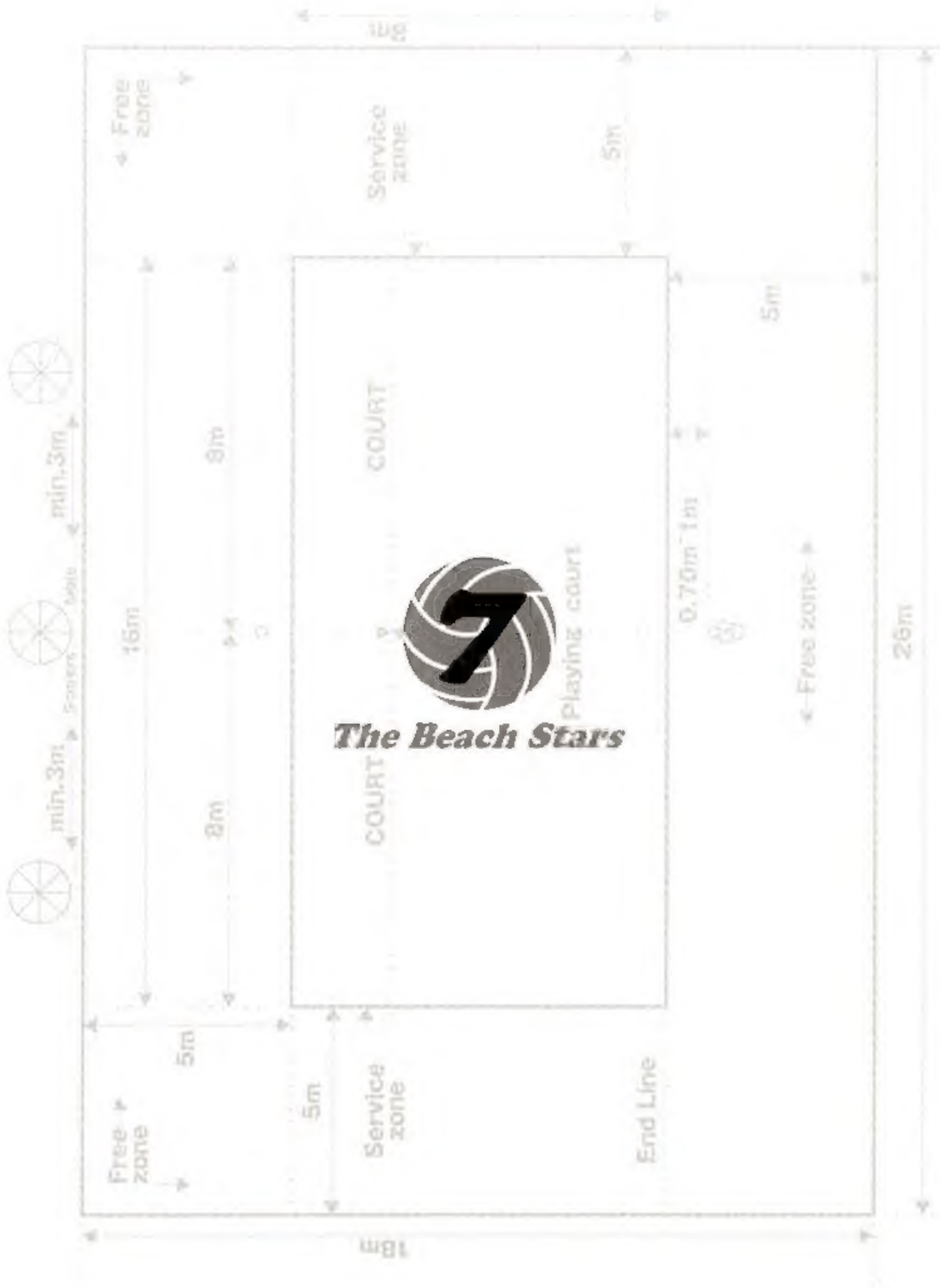

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登場人物紹介

七瀬イルカ（ななせ）

神奈川県の県立日ヶ崎高校に通う、元気一杯の高校2年生。17歳。背は低いが、バレーへの情熱なら誰にも負けない女の子。4人家族の長女。

多ノ倉リン（たのくら）

イルカとは中学バレー部時代からの仲間。

徳野涼子（とくのりょうこ）

元アテネ五輪ビーチバレー代表選手。イルカたちのコーチをすることに。

本田京介（ほんだきょうすけ）

23歳の新米ダメ教師。あだ名はボン太。なりゆきでビーチバレー部の顧問に。山神高校の出身で、元・デスメタル部部長!?

タッキー&みちる

ともに1年生の凸凹ペア。今回の大会で、大善戦!

石原ことみ（いしはら）

イルカのパートナー。神奈川県大会の決勝のさなか、過去のトラウマから解き放たれた。

前巻のおらすじ

「女子ビーチバレーの甲子園」と呼ばれる、
マドンナカップ! その神奈川県予選大会も佳境!
全部で36組72名の女子高校生達が、
火花を散らして闘う予選大会だ。

我らが日ヶ崎高校ビーチバレー部、
イルカ・ことみペアは初出場にして
決勝戦進出の快挙を果たす。

熱戦はもつれにもつれ、
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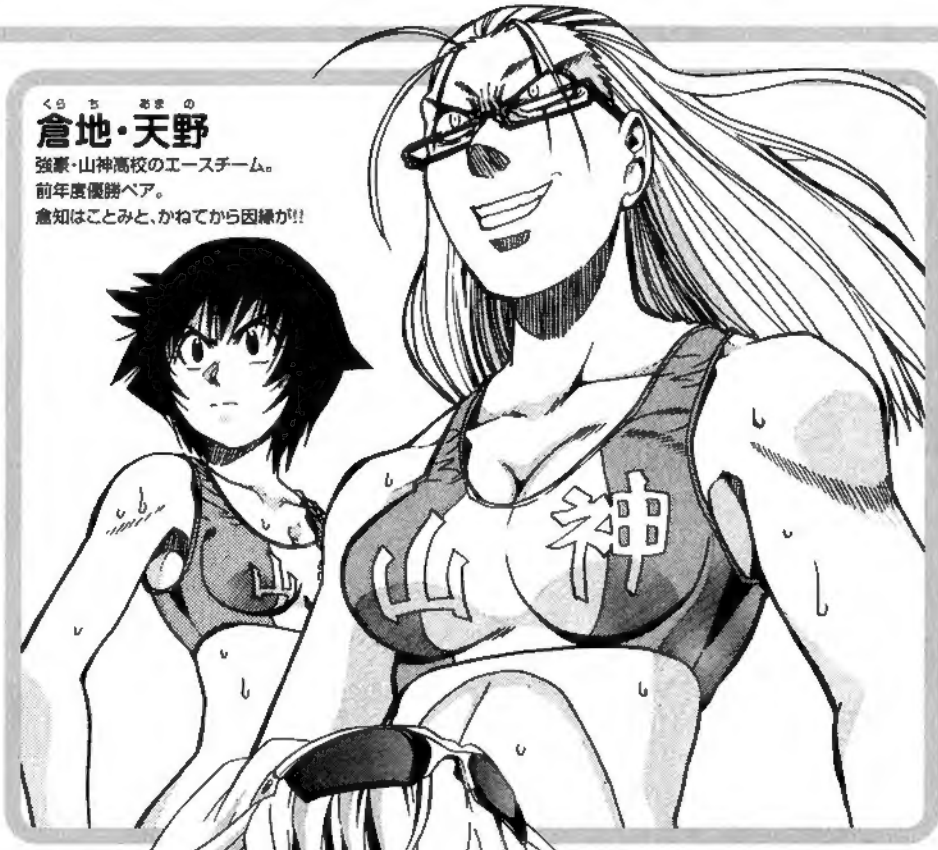
さらに試合はヒートアップして…!!!!



倉地(くらち)・天野(あまの)

強豪・山神高校のエースチーム。
前年度優勝ペア。
倉知はことみと、かねてから因縁が!!!

早川(はやかわ)さなえ

ビーチバレー界のアイドル。
高2。実力も超一流で、
ロンドンオリンピックの
最有力候補とも言われている。
グラビア・CMでも活躍中。

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TENACITY^2
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HIGASAKI B 5 - 7 YAMAGAMI A

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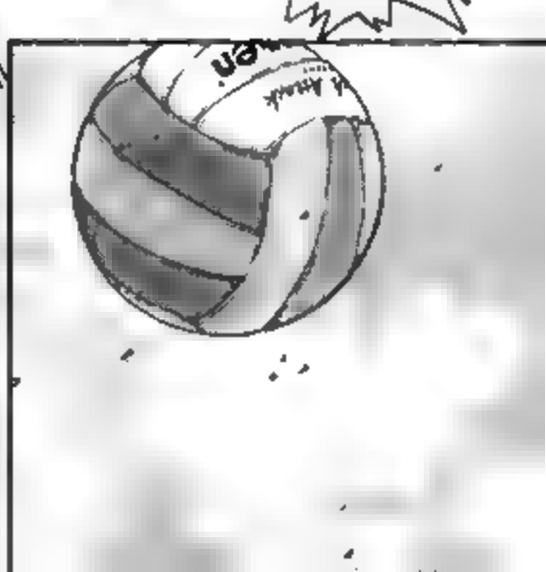
I'M THE ONLY ONE LEFT WITH THE STRENGTH TO COUNTER HER SUPER SPIKE!!
KOTOMI!
DON'T MOVE, IRUKA!!

A NEW VIOLENT FACE TO FACE IS ABOUT TO GET UNDER WAY!!
WHILE YAMAGAMI'S PLAYERS ARE POSITIONING THEMSELVES TO ATTACK, HIDAKA IS EVOKING TWO ATTACKS TO GET TO COUNTER!
GET OUT OF MY WAY!!
I WON'T LET YOU SCORE TWO TIMES!!

GHH!

THE BALL SLOWLY CONTINUED ITS COURSE OVER HIGASAKI'S SIDE!!
ISHI... ISHIHARA FAILED!!

NOT STRONG ENOUGH ?!



Beach Attack

... BEFORE INTERCEP-TING IT!!
JUST LIKE A HOMING MISSILE, NANASE FOLLOWED THE BALL'S TRAJEC-TORY...
MA... MAGNI-FIENT!
SHI...
DRUPPS

KYAAH !!

AMANO !!

HAAN!!
HAAN!!
YOU FUCK-ING BITCH-ES!!
WILL KURACHI TRY TO SPIKE DIRECTLY IN THESE CONDI-TIONS?
HARD RECEPTION FOR AMANO!!

JUST IN TIME, BOYS!!

BUT AFTER HELPING THEM BUILD THEIR COURT, WE COULDN'T LET THEM DOWN!

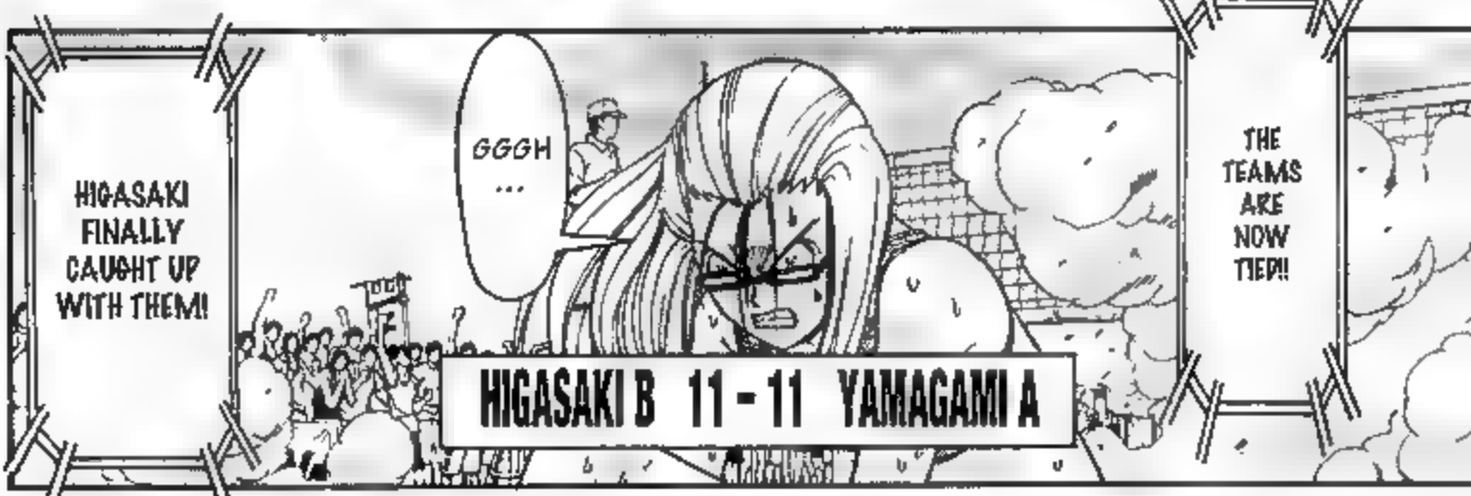
IF WE HADN'T TAKEN THE WRONG TRAIN, WE WOULDN'T HAVE TRAVELLED ALL THE WAY UP TO ATAMI
DAMN RIGHT, WE LOST SO MUCH TIME!!

POOR LITTLE BEACH VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS.
... THEY MUST HAVE BEEN LONELY WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORTERS!

LOOK, THEY'RE OVER THERE!!
WHERE? WHERE?
PERFECT INTERCEPTION OF YAMAGAMI'S CROSS SPIKE BY HIGASAKI..
.. WHO ARE GOING WITH THE FLOW AND ANSWER RIGHT BACK WITH A QUICK SPIKE!!
AM I DREAM-ING ? ARE THEY REALLY NANASE AND HER FRIEND?

I'LL BE ABLE TO JUMP AGAIN!
THANKS TO YOU, I WAS ABLE TO REST ENOUGH.

IRUKA ...
I'M FINE NOW.


HIGASAKI FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH THEM!
GGGH ...
THE TEAMS ARE NOW TIED!!
HIGASAKI B 11 - 11 YAMAGAMI A

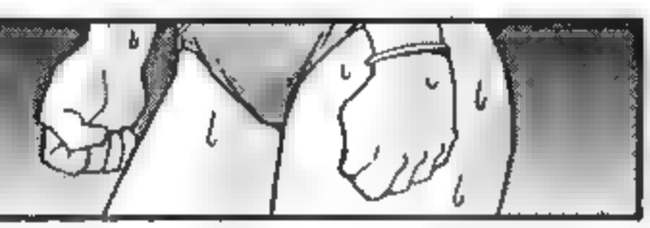
... AND THAT IT'S EXACTLY THE PLACE TO BE TO MAKE A QUICK SPIKE ..
WHEN WE KNOW THAT THE CROSS SPIKE FALLS RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE NET .

... THAT'S BAD FOR KURA-CHI.
A PLAYER ABLE TO DO A QUICK SPIKE ...

COMPLETELY NULLIFIES YAMAGAMI'S TECHNIQUE!
MIGHT AS WELL SAY THAT HIGASAKI'S TECHNIQUE ...

IT'S PISSING ME OFF!!

. WHILE I'VE BEEN PUTTING MY ALL IN THIS SPORT EVERY DAY FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS!



HOW DARE SHE SHOW OFF?!
MACH-IKO?!

THEY'VE BEEN PRACTICING BEACH VOLLEY-BALL FOR ONLY A COUPLE OF MONTHS. .

I WAS TRAINING AGAIN AND AGAIN
WHILE MY TEAMMATES WERE ENJOYING WITH THEIR FRIENDS OR THEIR BOY-FRIENDS
THAT WOULD MEAN THAT I
I KNOW
ISHIHARA IS ABOUT TO SERVE

WHAT'S WRONG WITH WORKING HARD?!
... TO HAVE FUN OR TO CREATE MEMORIES!?
IF I WERE TO LISTEN TO THE OTHERS, I WOULD NEED TO PLAY...

YOU'VE BEEN SHOWING OFF AS IF YOU WORKED HARD, BUT IN REALITY YOU'VE BEEN DOING THE STRICT MINIMUM.
GIVE ME A HIGH PASS!!
PREPARE YOURSELF!
SHE GOT IT!

I CAN'T STAND PATHETIC PEOPLE LIKE YOU!!
IRUKA !!

WE'RE COUNTERING !!
IRUKA!!
!!
NANASE IS RUSHING TO ANSWER BACK!!
AFTER THIS GREAT RECEPTION...

RIGHT BACK AT YOU!!
MACHIKO, YOU WANT TO GO?!
SHE WON'T PASS. . I'LL GET IT!
RAAAAAAH !!

RUKA!
HACH-IKO!!

HIAH!!

おおおお
DAMN! SHE REALLY WANTS TO KILL HER
IT SEEMS LIKE PRIDE TOOK OVER TECHNIQUE ..
YOU FUCK-ING BITCH !!

I'LL NEVER GIVE UP!!

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HIGASAKI B 13 - 13 YAMAGAMI A

WHICH MEANS THAT THE FIRST TEAM TO REACH THIS SCORE AND HAVE A 2 POINT LEAD WILL WIN!
I'D LIKE TO REMIND YOU ALL THAT THIS THIRD SET IS PLAYED IN 15 POINTS...
ISHI-HASHI!!
IN A COUPLE OF MINUTES, WE'LL KNOW WHO THE NEW CHAMPIONS OF KANAGAWA ARE!!

RAAWRRRR
!!

.....!!
HIGASAKI'S TEAM HAS MANAGED TO BREAK THROUGH YAMAGAMI'S DEFENSE FOR THE FIRST TIME AND OBTAIN A MATCH POINT!
ANOTHER IMPRESSIVE QUICK SPIKE!! THE BALL REALLY GOES AT THE SPEED OF SOUND!!
HIGASAKI B 14 - 13 YAMAGAMI A
THERE ARE ONLY TWO POSSIBLE OUTCOMES AND THE NEXT POINT IS REALLY IMPORTANT!
WILL YAMAGAMI HOLD ON? WILL HIGASAKI FINISH IT OFF?

YOU WILL NOT PASS !!
I'M COUNT-ING ON YOU, LITTLE BALL!!

... DON'T YOU DARE LOSE SO CLOSE TO THE GOA...
YOU IDIOTS ...

OUR QUEEN CAN'T FAIL.

DON'T CRY, IT'S GONNA BE ALL RIGHT.

YOU ARE THE BEST, YAMAGAMI! YOU CAN'T LOSE!!
JUST A LITTLE MORE, HIGASAKI! YOU'RE ALMOST THERE!!

I'M BEGGING YOU, KURAICHI-SENPAI, YOU HAVE TO WIN!!
YOU MUST WIN... YOU MUST WIN...
WIN... WIN... WIN!!

DON'T YELL SO LOUD.
ア.
YOU'LL LOSE YOUR VOICE.

IT'S NOW THAT THEY NEED OUR SUPPORT, AND I CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HELP THEM ...
オオ
BUT I FEEL SO POWER-LESS...

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SO I WANT MY VOICE TO REACH THEM...

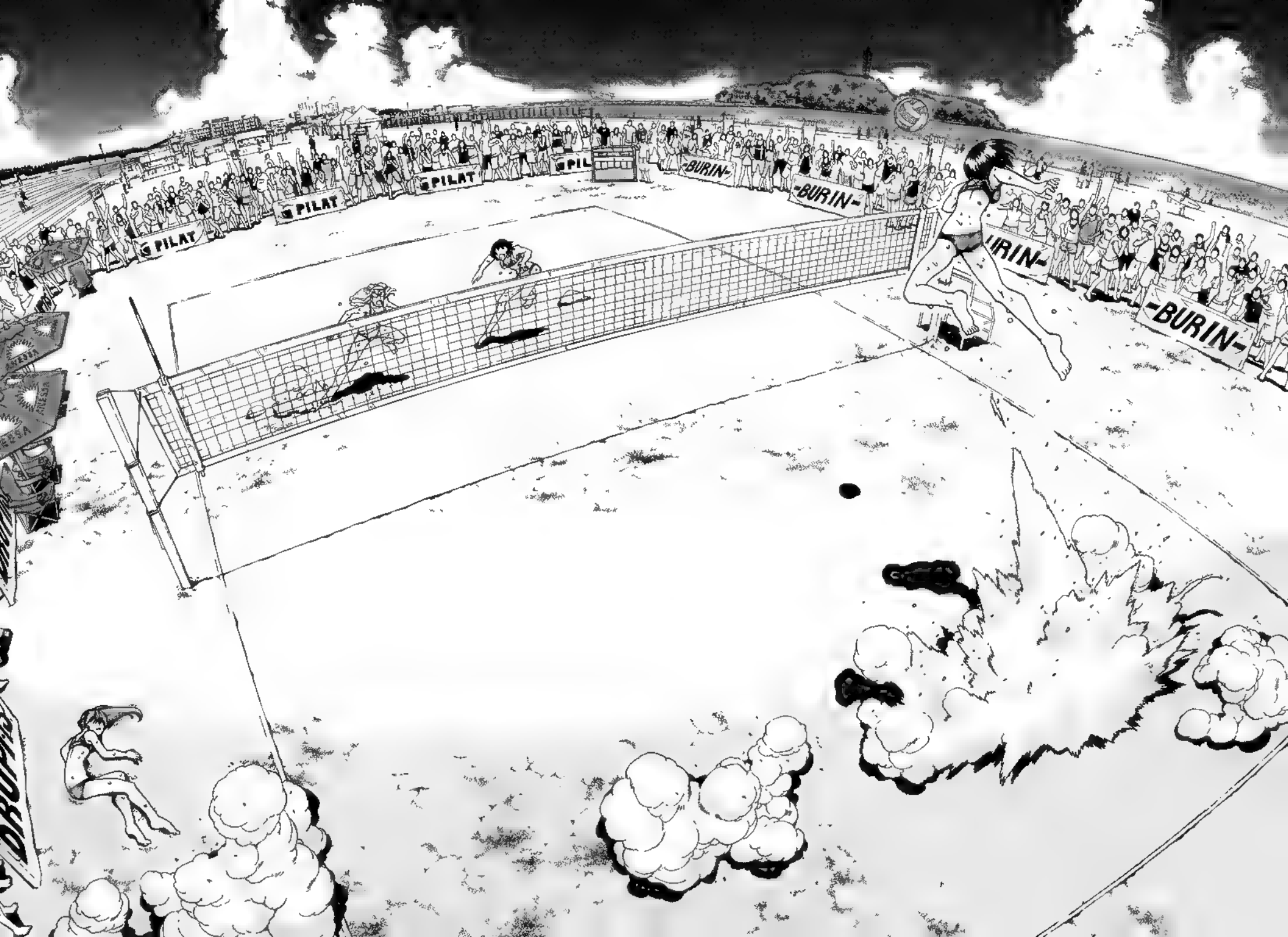
... AND GIVE THEM MY ENERGY!!
ONE MORE POINT!!
ONLY ONE POINT !!

IT'S IM-POSSIBLE ...
I LIVE FOR IT, FOR IT AND WITH IT...
UP UNTIL TODAY, I'VE ALWAYS GIVEN MY 100% TO VOLLEY-BALL. .
... THAT IT'S THE END FOR ME!!

AAAAAAH!!
SHE GOT SENT BACK!!

THE POINT IS OURS!
Attack
NOT YET!!

!!
THEY CAN'T MAKE IT! THEY ARE TOO FAR FROM THE NET!!
IT'S REALLY HIGH!!
THE BALL IS IN THE AIR!! DO YOU THINK THAT HIGASHIKU CAN SPIKE?!
HIT IT!!!
IRUKA.. HIT IT ...
YEAH RIGHT! YOU CAN'T EVEN REACH THE BALL!!
WOOO-HOOOH !!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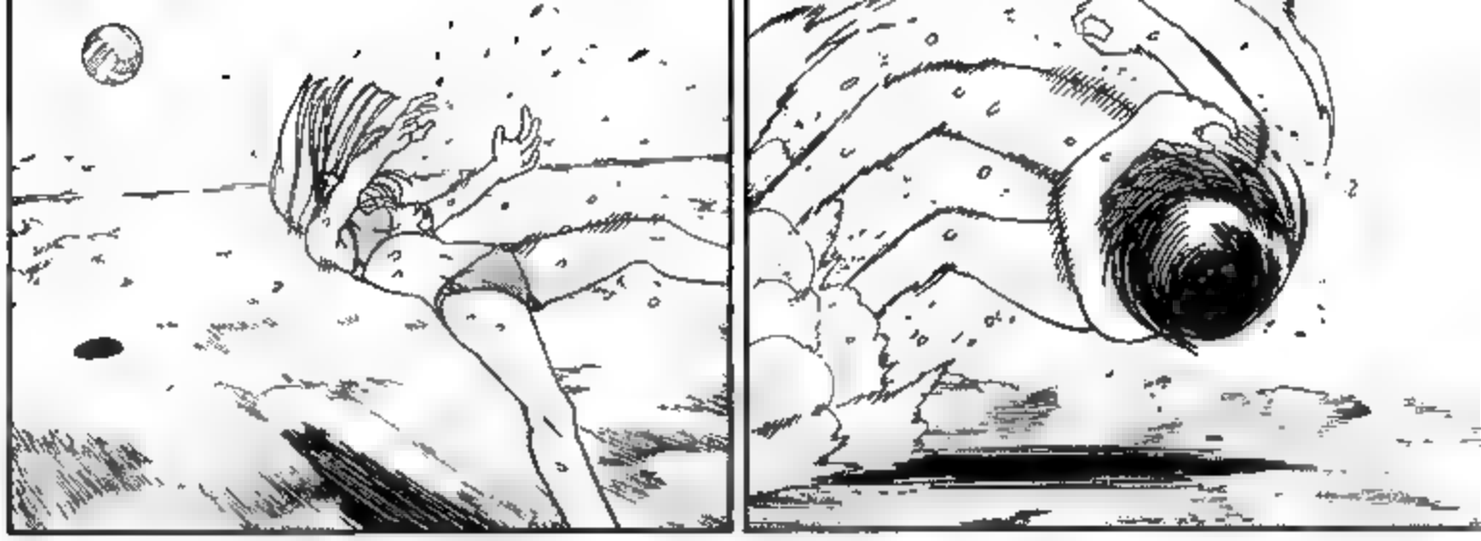
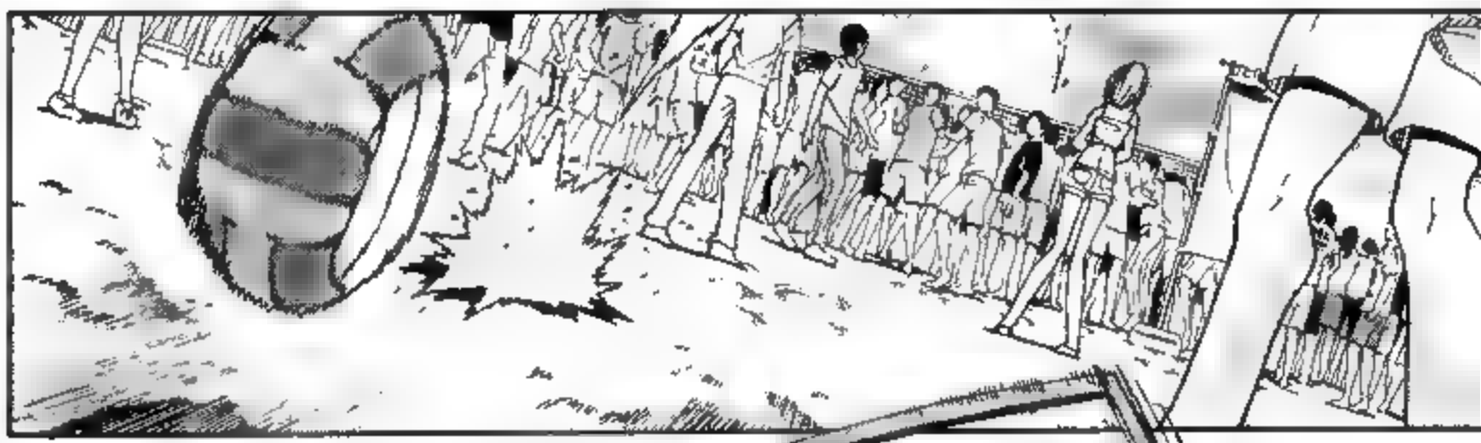
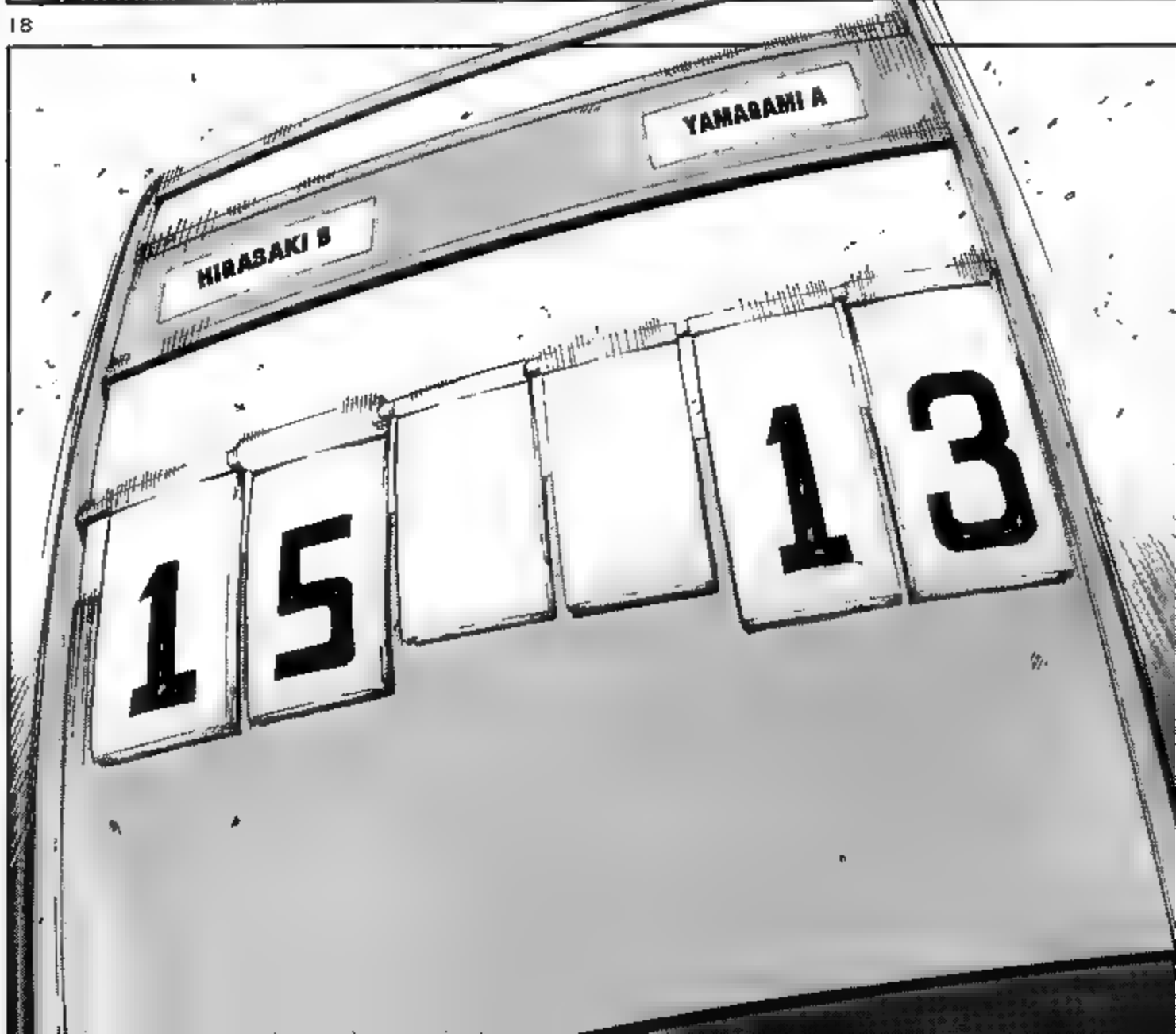
KURA-
CHI!!

THERE'S ONE THING YOU DON'T SEEM TO UNDER-STAND...

YOU AREN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO SACRIFICED EVERYTHING FOR VOLLEY-BALL!!
SHE GOT IT!!



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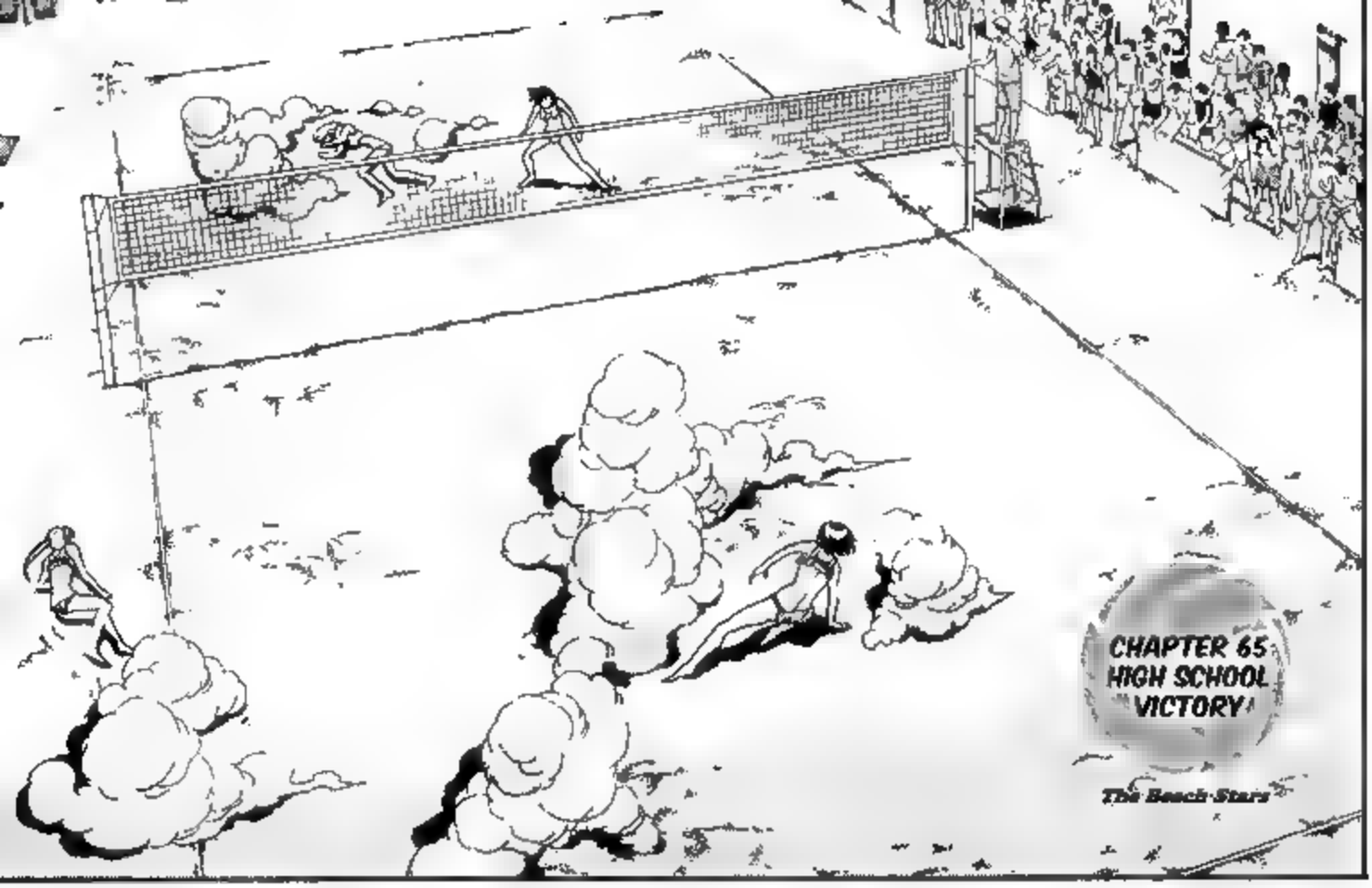
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HIGH SCHOOL
VICTORY!
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YAMAGAMI A
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HERE...

THE KANAGAWA PREFECTURE NOW HAS ITS NEW CHAMPIONS!!
HERE IT IS, IT'S OVER!! HIGASAKI HIGH SCHOOL'S TEAM JUST WON THEIR SECOND SET!!
CHAPTER 65
HIGH SCHOOL VICTORY
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_ AND THEIR TICKET FOR THE MADONNA CUP!
NANASE AND ISHIHARA JUST WON THEIR FIRST BEACH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT_
YEAAAAH !!
WE WON, WE WON!!
IT'S AMAZING! THE REST OF THE TEAM JUST JOINED THEM ON THE COURT!
I'M NOT DREAMING
IT'S TRUE
WOW, THEY REALLY WON

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*AWARD FOR ART RELATED SUBJECT

THEY ARE THE BEST!!
YEAAAH! THE BEST!!
THEY WON...
THEY WON...
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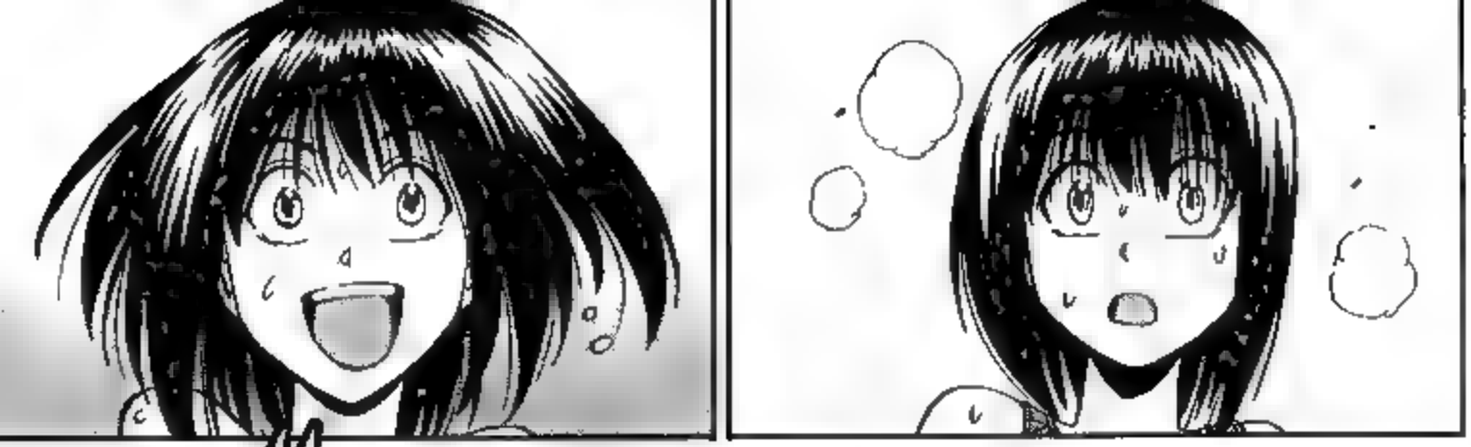
NANA-SEEE!
NANASE !!
IN MY ARMS!!
I FINALLY SAID IT!



AH AH AH
WOW! SHE'S REALLY DOING IT!!

... I'VE WANTED TO TELL YOU THIS FOR THE LONGEST TIME...
LISTEN ... IN FACT ...

I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU!!
WOW!!

WE TOTALLY GOT CRUSHED ...
... WE WERE ON THE SAME LEVEL ...
DON'T SAY THAT ...
YEAH RIGHT!
I FAILED ...
... ALL THE WAY...

... BY THIS BUNCH OF IDIOTS.
SORRY I DIDN'T WIN.
KU- BACHI- SEMPAI!

WITH YOU AS OUR COACH, WE ARE SURE TO BRING FAME TO OUR SCHOOL!!
BUT...
PLEASE, CONTINUE TO TRAIN US!!

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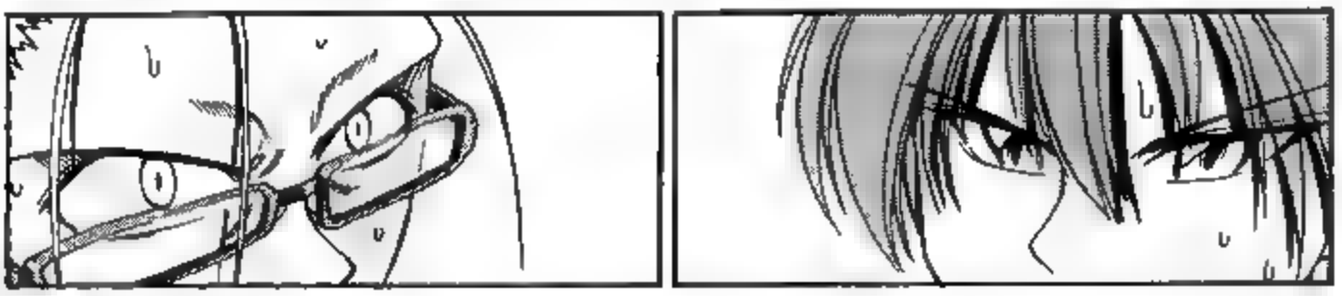
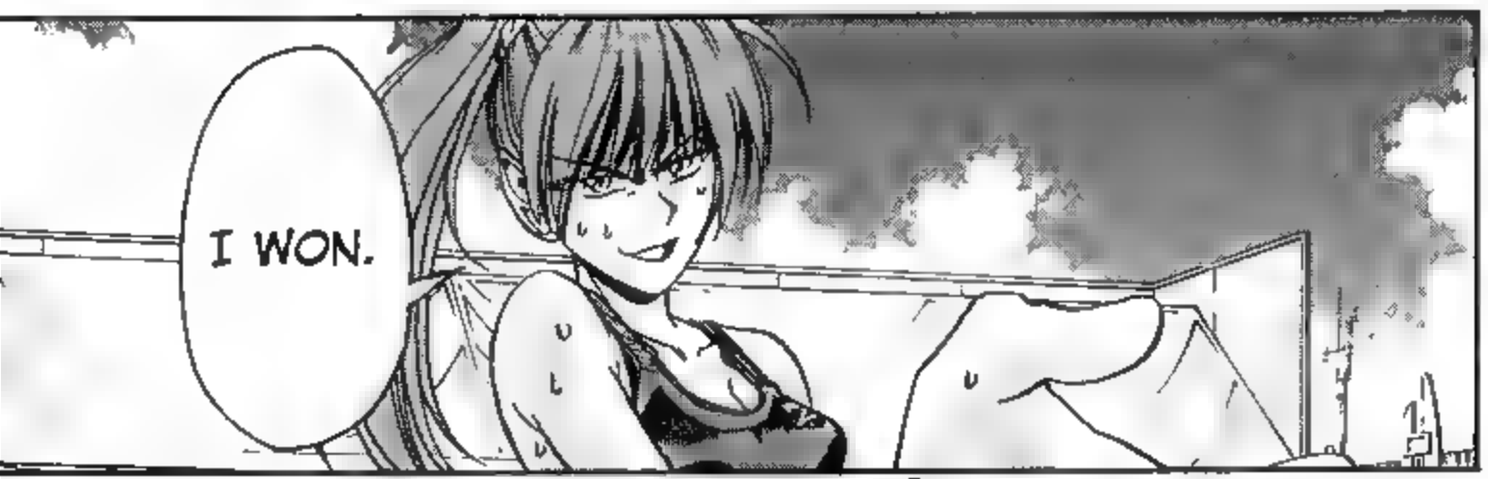
PLEASE SHAKE HANDS.
GOOD! IT'S TIME TO LEAVE NOW
ALL RIGHT! SINCE THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT, BE READY! FROM TOMORROW ONWARD, YOU'LL BE IN A LOT OF PAIN!!
WITH PLEA-SURE !!

GOOD LUCK FROM NOW ON.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.




I WON.

YAAAA!!
WE... WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!!
HOW DO YOU FEEL AFTER THIS VICTORY?!
LET'S INTERVIEW OUR STARS OF THE DAY!!
THE TOURNAMENT'S PRESIDENT WILL NOW HAND OVER THE CUP TO THE WINNERS!!
ほっほっほっ
I WAS NERVOUS ..
YOU COULDN'T SAY ANYTHING BETTER?!
TOURNAMENT
WOMEN BEACH VOLLEY
PREFECTURE
CONGRATULATION, YOUNG GIRLS.

I'LL SHAKE YOUR HAND ONCE YOU'VE WON
...THE MADONNA CUP!!
AFTER SEEING THESE AMAZING MATCHES -
...I'M EAGER TO COME BACK FOR NEXT YEAR!!
NANASE AND ISHIHARA FROM HIGASAKI HIGH SCHOOL ARE THIS YEAR'S BEACH STARS!!
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!! THANK YOU!!

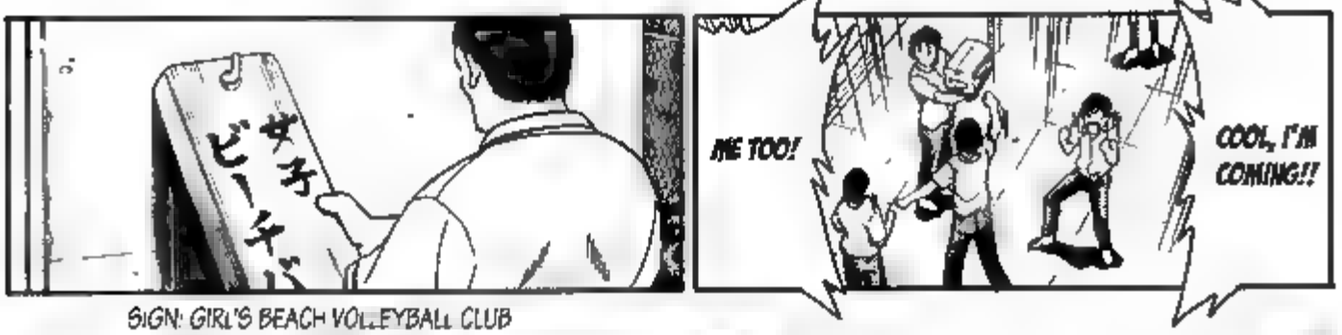
COME ON, SHOW ME! I WANNA SEE!
I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WE HAD A BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB!!

SPECIAL EDITION!
SPECIAL EDITION!

PLEASE, CALM DOWN.
IT'S DECIDED! AS AN EXCEPTION, WE'LL CLOSE SCHOOL TOMORROW TO CELEBRATE THIS EVENT!!

SPECIAL EDITIO
OUR BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB WON THE PREFECTURE TOURNA-MENT?!
THE BEACH VOLLEYBALL
OB WON THE KANAGAWA
TOURNAMENT!!
SERI-OUSLY ?!

IF YOU WANT TO COME... HOWEVER, DON'T TELL ANYONE! IT MUST BE A SURPRISE!
I HEARD THAT THERE WAS A PARTY ORGANISED IN THE GYM BETWEEN NOON AND TWO O'CLOCK TO CELEBRATE THE BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB'S VICTORY



SIGN: GIRL'S BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB

THEY'RE COMING!
WE ARE IN TROUBLE, SENSEI!!
AFTER "TWO", WE ALL SHOUT AT THE SAME TIME.
WE CAN'T MESS UP.
SENSEI, YOU HAVE TO STOP THEM NO MATTER WHAT!!
AAARGH! IT'S WAY TOO SOON! WE AREN'T DONE DECORATING THE GYM!!

OH. WHAT A SUR-PRISE! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
HUMVEE ..

WAAAH !!
Still

TAIOOO !!

YOU THINK ?
HMM? THAT'S WEIRD, YOU SEEM AGITATED ..

YOU'RE HIDING SOMETHING, RIGHT?!

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…
TWO
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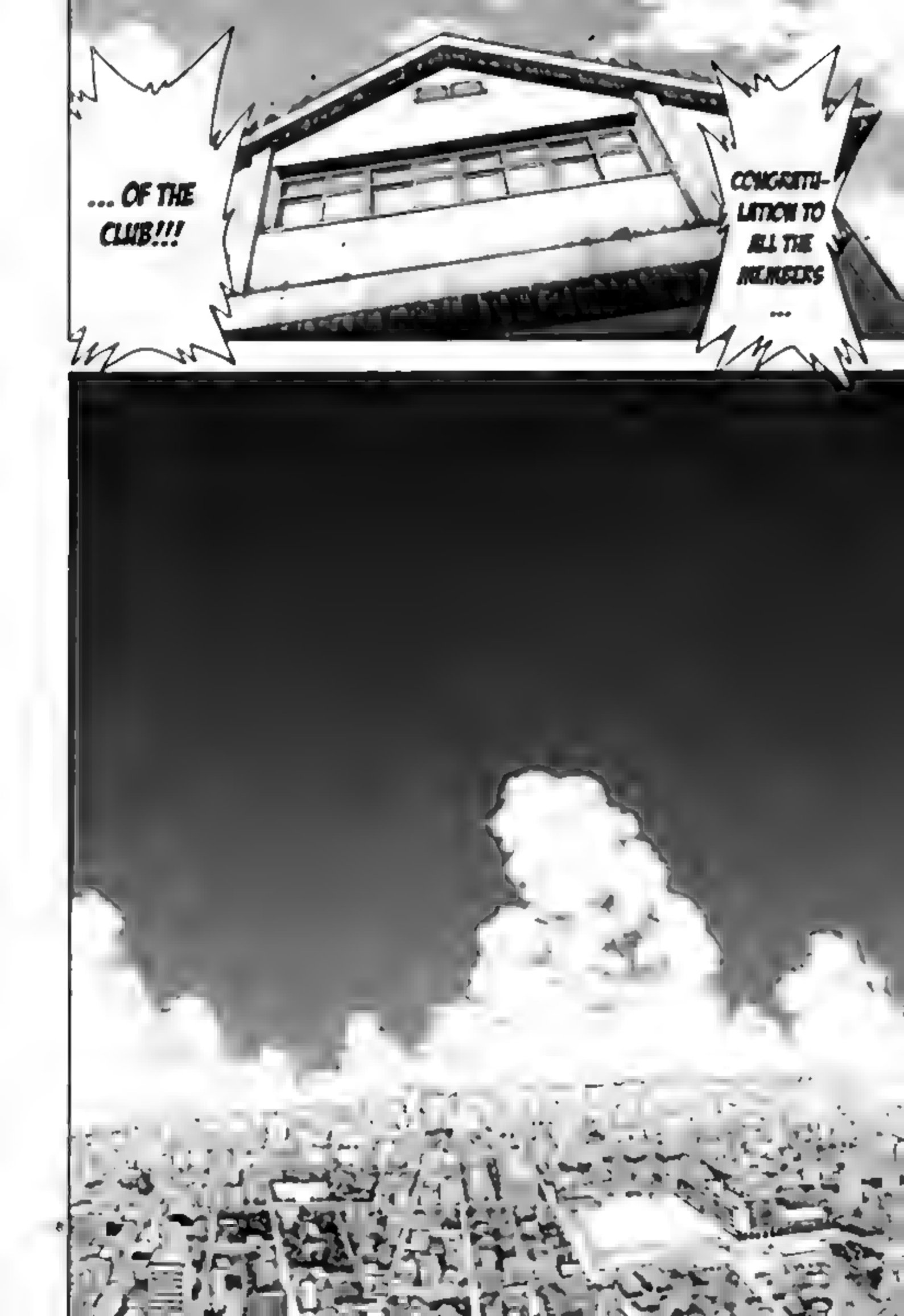
... OF THE CLUB!!!
CONGRATU-LATION TO ALL THE WINNERS ...

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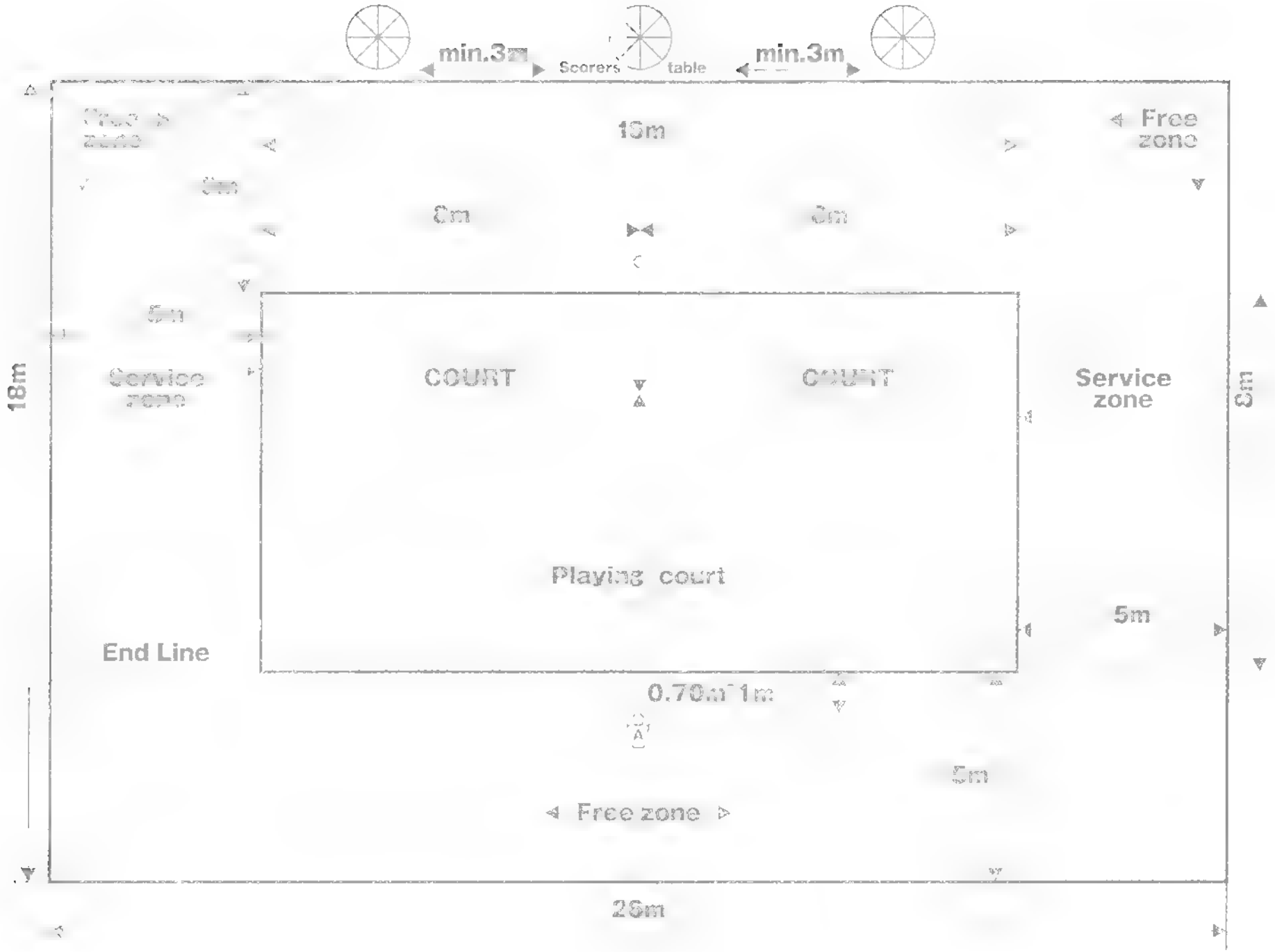
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SPECIAL TRAINING
The Beach Stars
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CONGRATULA-
TIONS TO ALL
THE MEMBERS
OF THE BEACH
VOLLEYBALL
CLUB!!

OH...
THANKS A LOT!

COME ON! DON'T JUST STAND THERE, COME IN!!

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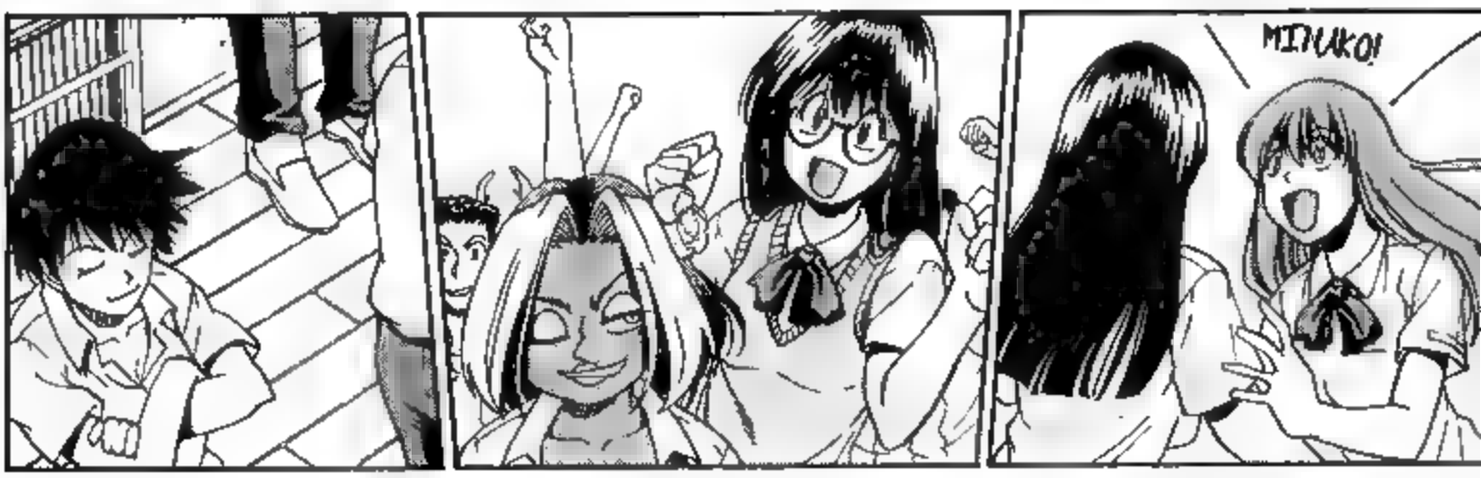
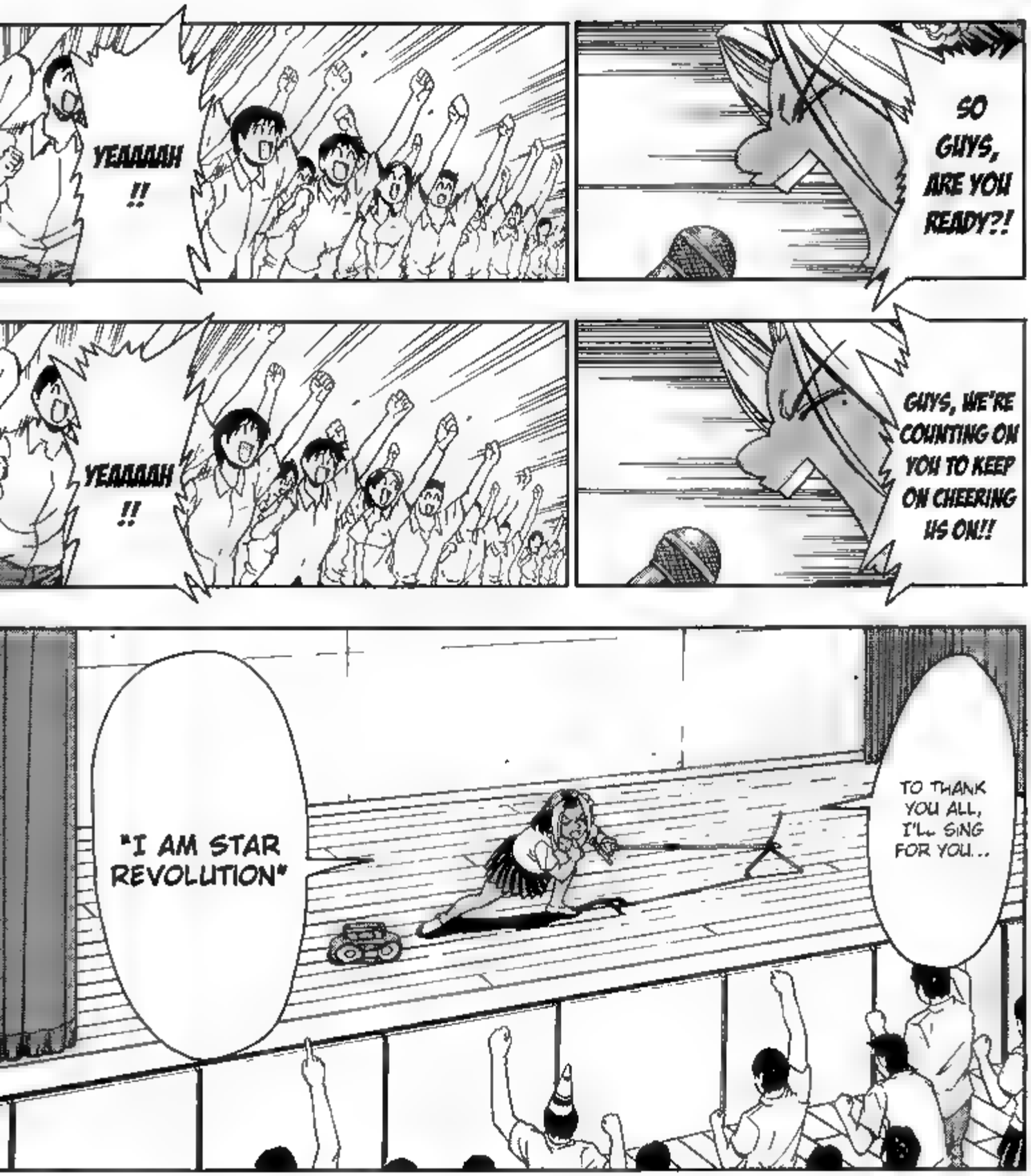
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT OUR SCHOOL WOULD FINISH FIRST IN A SPORTS COMPETI-TION..
HURRAY !!
REALLY?
!!
EVERYBODY GAVE THEIR ALL TO PREPARE THIS SECRET CELEBRATION.


MIYUKO!

EVERYONE WANTED TO CELEBRATE SOMETHING, BUT WE NEVER HAD ANY REASONS TO DO SO.
YOU KNOW, IT'S THE FIRST TIME SOMETHING SPECIAL HAP-PENS IN THIS SCHOOL


YEAAAAH !!
SO GUYS, ARE YOU READY?!
YEAAAAH !!
GUYS, WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU TO KEEP ON CHEERING US ON!!
"I AM STAR REVOLUTION"
TO THANK YOU ALL, I'LL SING FOR YOU...

WHAT?!

I am Star Revolution
Anthology version,
Singing' Takki ☆
I'll be a star through you
I'll be a star through him
The legend of Takki
*Staaaar, I am a staaar
I'm a sun
In the middle of the night
(*chorus)

YOU DON'T LIKE MY ART?!
YOU REALLY SUCK...
I'VE HEARD THAT SOME-WHERE ALREADY ...

YEAH?
SAY, IRUKA ...

WHAT IS SHE DOING?

BRAVO!! NEXT STEP, THE NATIONAL TOURNA-MENT!!
THE MADONNA CUP

WELL, SOMEBODY HERE ISN'T LOSING ANY TIME!

SHE MUST GATHER HER STRENGTH FOR THE NEXT STEP!

DAD..

HARD TO BELIEVE ..
THIS OLD FART?!
WHEN DADDY HEARD THAT WE WERE SELECTED FOR THE NATIONAL CHAMPION-SHIP, HE WAS JUMPING OF JOY!

OH RIGHT ...
I SHOULD PROBABLY TELL HIM..

IT'S ABSOLUTELY OUT OF THE QUESTION!!

GOOD EVE-NING!
GOOD EVE-NING, HONEY. HOW WAS YOUR DAY?

SIT DOWN, IRUKA! WE NEED TO TALK!!
... I'M ALREADY SITTING...

HUH?!
AKI HIGH SCHOOL
LECTED FOR THE NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP!!
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!

I RECEIVED THAT AT THE TRAIN STATION, CARE TO EXPLAIN?!
THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T WANT TO TELL HIM.
OH WOW, SWEETHEART, YOU WERE PLAYING BEACH VOLLEYBALL?
IT'S AMAZING!

YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF BEING HALF-NAKED IN PUBLIC!!
I'M SURE THAT YOUR PARENTS ARE CRYING ALL THE TEARS OF THEIR BODY AWAY!!
YOU ARE REALLY PRETTY!
JUST LIKE ME AT YOUR AGE.

I CONFIRM, YOU'RE A REAL FOUNTAIN...
YOU, WHO WERE JUST LIKE YOUR LOVING DADDY ...
EH... YES, BUT NO...

THE WHOLE COUNTRY WILL BE WATCHING IRUKA AND HER TEAM!!
HEY, IT'S REALLY COOL.
ANYWAY, I'M TOTALLY AGAINST IT!!

I'M SORRY TO SAY THAT, BUT YOU WON'T GO!!
EXACTLY, I DON'T WANT THE WHOLE COUNTRY TO LOOK AT HER WITH LECHER-OUS EYES!!

SIT DOWN, HONEY! WE NEED TO TALK!
I'M ALREADY SITTING !!
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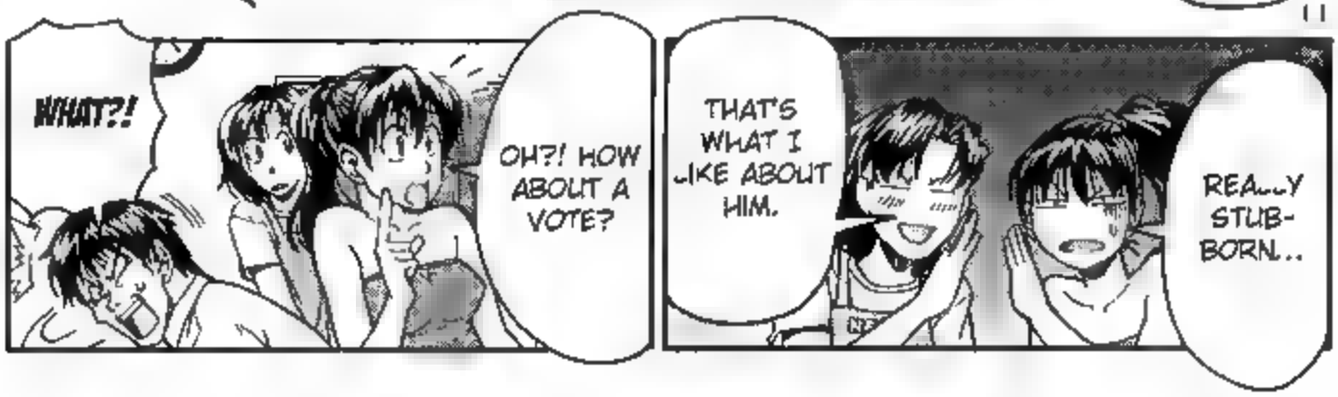
HOW COULD MOM FALL IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE SO STUB-BORN...
HE'S REALLY STUBBORN ...

I DON'T CARE! I DON'T MIND IF MY DAUGHTER IS UGLY!!
DON'T YOU KNOW THAT WOMEN'S BEAUTY IS ENHANCED THROUGH THE EYES OF OTHERS?


WHAT?!
OH?! HOW ABOUT A VOTE?
THAT'S WHAT I LIKE ABOUT HIM.
REALLY STUBBORN..

1 AGAINST 4
(ON THE NAMASEMETER)
ME
YOU TOO, LASSIE?!
MIAOU!

WHO'S FOR IRUKA PARTICIPATING IN THE MADONNA CUP?

GOOD! NOW THAT THAT'S SETTLED ...
I... I GIVE UP...

... WE CAN FOCUS ON IMPORTANT THINGS! I BOUGHT MEAT ON SALE, SO TONIGHT, IT'S A BARBECUE!
YATTA !!
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AND THE TIME FOR HER TO FOLLOW HER OWN PATH WILL BE SOON.
.. SHE LOVES YOU AS MUCH AS BEFORE, BUT SHE WON'T BE A LITTLE GIRL ALL HER LIFE.

YEEES!
KAMOME, CAN YOU BRING OUT THE DISHES?

DON'T WORRY, HONEY ...
WHEN I THINK THAT SHE USED TO LOVE ME SO MUCH...

YOU HAVE TO REALIZE THAT YOUR DAUGHTER IS BECOMING A WOMAN.

Sk...l & Strategy

YEP!
EVERY DAY MUST BE FULL OF TEACHINGS?
I HEARD YOU WERE GOING TO PLAY IN A NATIONAL TOURNAMENT?
YOU MUST HAVE A TIRESOME JOB...
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ALL RIGHT.
THE USUAL, MASTER!
HERE'S MY QUESTION!
A BEACH VOLLEYBALL COURT'S MEASUREMENTS ARE NINE METERS BY EIGHTEEN.
TRUE OR FALSE?
HMMM.. I... I REMEMBER THAT IT'S TRUE!!

YES, IT'S MY FINAL ANSWER!
IS THAT YOUR FINAL ANSWER?

WHAT?
WHAT A SHAME, YOU LOST!!

DAMN! WHAT'S MORE, I KNEW IT!!
THE DIMENSIONS OF THE COURT WERE CHANGED RECENTLY AND ARE NOW EIGHT METERS BY SIXTEEN.

BOOOM!!
YOU'RE EARLY
AH? HUMVEE!

ARE YOU ALWAYS HERE SO SOON?
YES.
OH? YOU'RE READING A BOOK ABOUT BEACH VOLLEY-BALL?
YEP.
DURING THE TOURNA-MENT, I RE-ALIZED HOW POWERLESS I AM...
AND I'VE BEEN THINKING A LOT AFTER THAT...

DON'T WORRY; WE NEVER THOUGHT YOU COULD HELP US!
LET ME HAVE MY DELU-SIONS!
ANYWAY, I'M TRYING TO FIX MY WEAK-NESSES ..
AND I'M COUNTING ON MY RELIABLE MEMORY ..
.. TO REMEMBER ALL THE RULES BY THE TIME OF THE MADONNA CUP.
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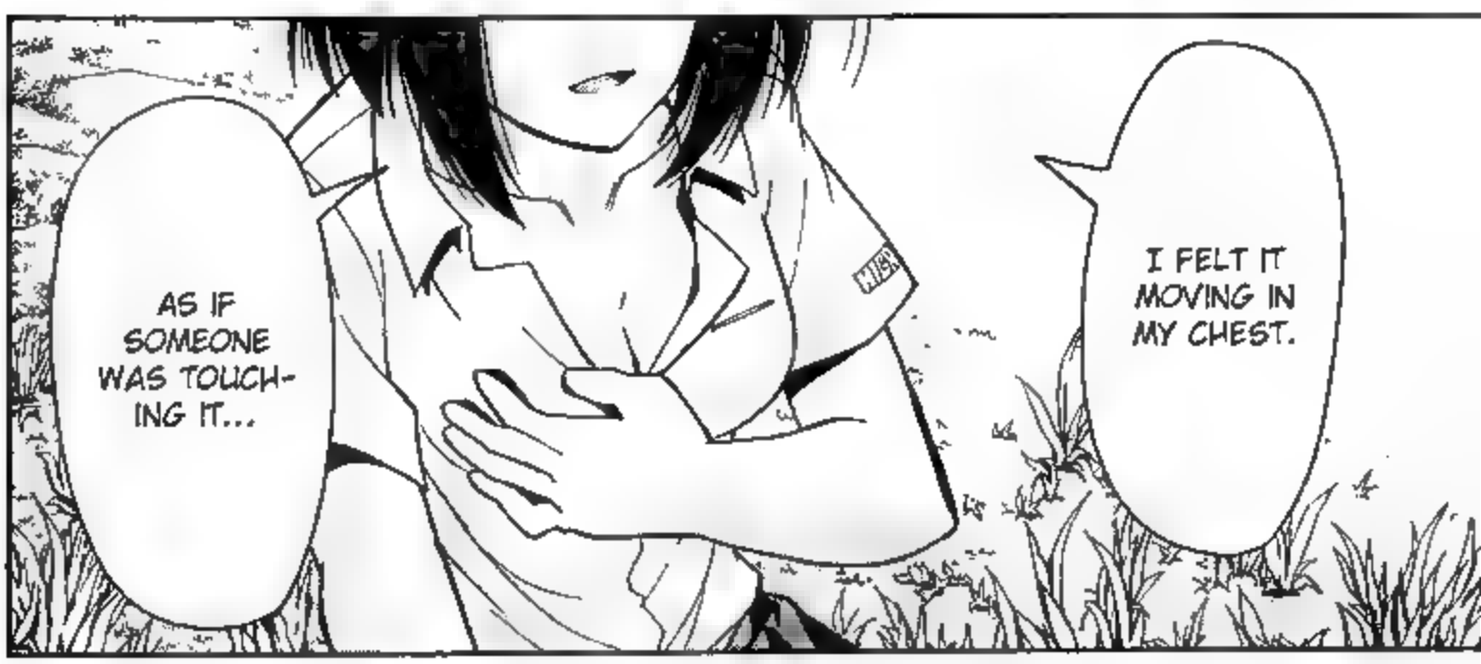
I WANT TO BE USEFUL TO YOU GIRLS.

BEACH VOLLEY

GO WIN THIS MATCH!
DURING THE FINAL, WHEN WE ALMOST GAVE UP ..
. . AND YOU CHEERED US UP ..
WHAT?!
BY THE WAY, I WANTED TO TELL YOU!
WHAT?
YOU KNOW, HUMVEE? YOU'RE PRETTY COOL ONCE YOU SHUT UP

WELL, MY SMALL HEART WAS RACING... REALLY FAST...
YOU... YOU WON'T TELL ANYONE ABOUT THIS, RIGHT?
HUH? EH... RIGHT...


I FELT IT MOVING IN MY CHEST.
AS IF SOMEONE WAS TOUCHING IT...

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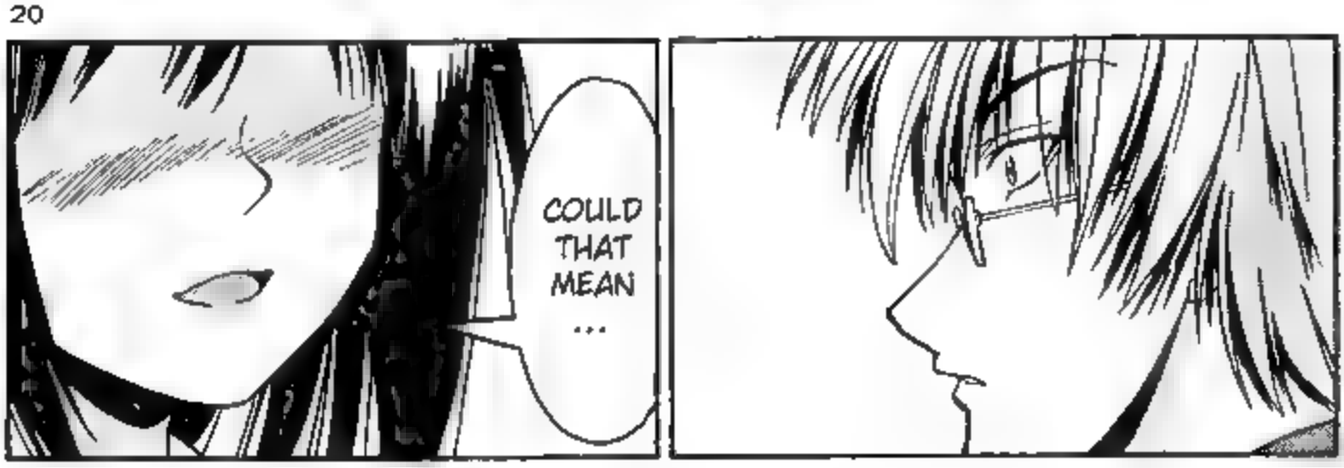
COULD THAT MEAN ...

...
THAT I'M IN LOVE?

BWA-
HAHA-
HAHA!!

NOTHING! NOTHING AT ALL!!
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WHAT? DID I SAY SOMETHING FUNNY?

LET'S BE RATIONAL... YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE IN LOVE, BUT IT WASN'T THAT AT ALL...
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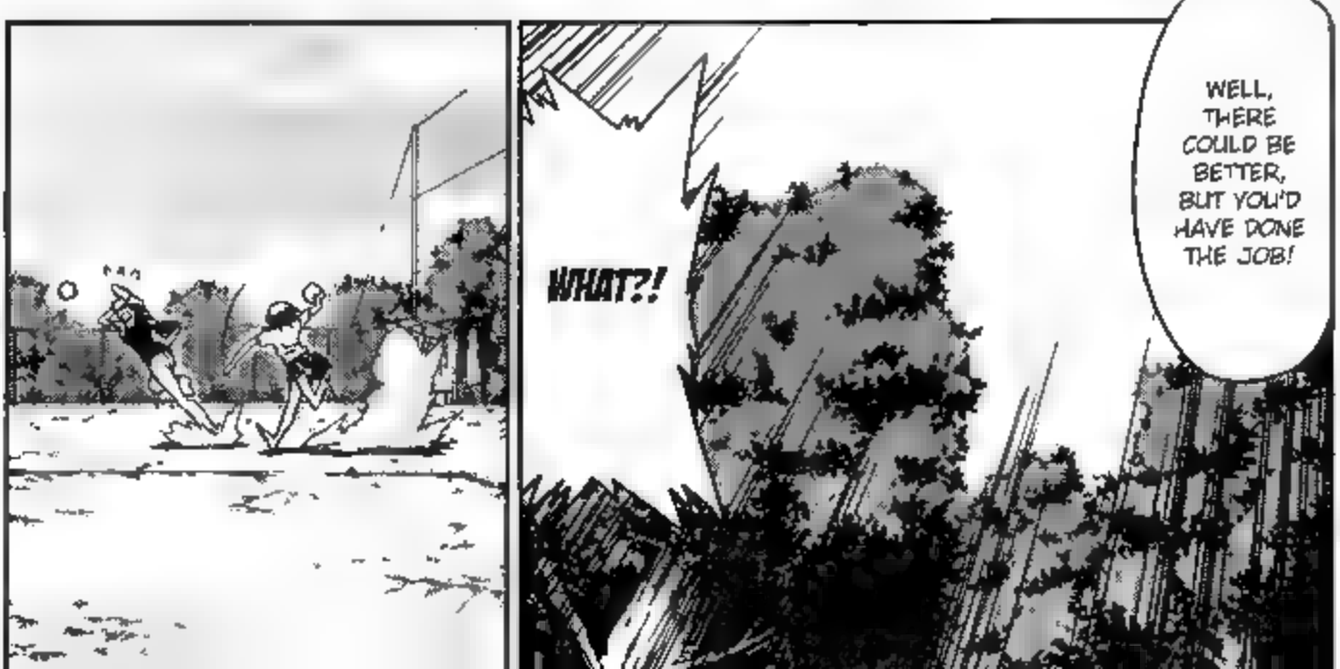
ME, I WAS REALLY SERIOUS!!
HA HA HA HA HA...
SORRY! I SHOULDN'T HAVE LAUGHED!
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT YOU'D SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT!

REALLY ?!
BUT ME TOO, I LIKE YOU, IRUKA.
PFFFF!!
HOW CAN I PUT IT... TRUE LOVE IS REALLY STRONGER THAN THAT.

WHAAAAT ?
REALLY! I WOULD HAVE LOVED TO HAVE YOU AS A LITTLE SISTER.

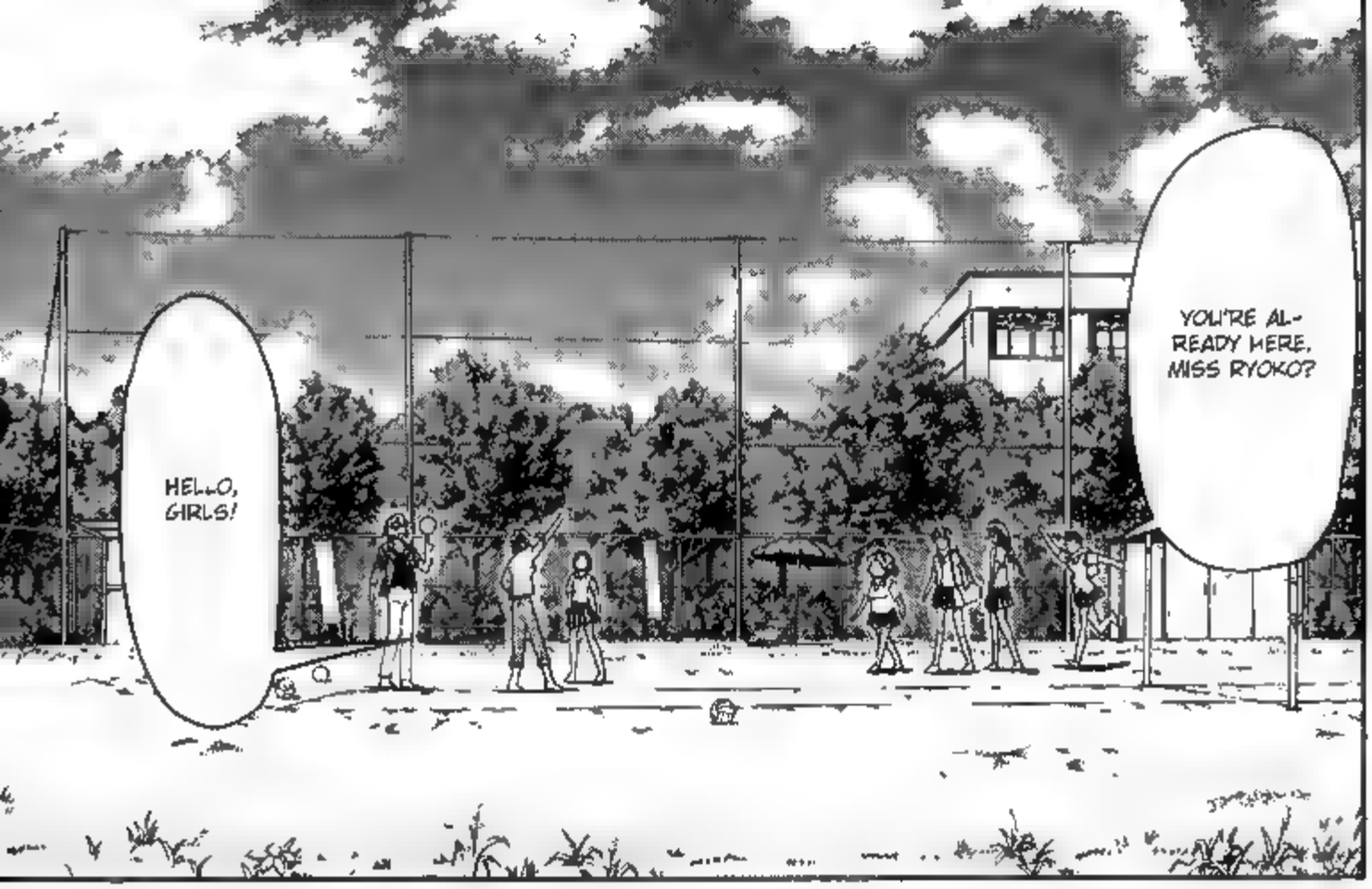

WHAT?!
WELL, THERE COULD BE BETTER, BUT YOU'D HAVE DONE THE JOB!

HELLO!

MISS RYOKO !!

I WAS SO GOOD IN TRAINING YOU THAT I BROUGHT AMATEURS TO VICTORY ..
MY TALENTS WILL ALWAYS KEEP AMAZING ME.

CONGRATULATIONS!!
YEAH! I WATCHED THE MATCH ON TV!
YEAH!


HELLO, GIRLS!
YOU'RE ALREADY HERE, MISS RYOKO?

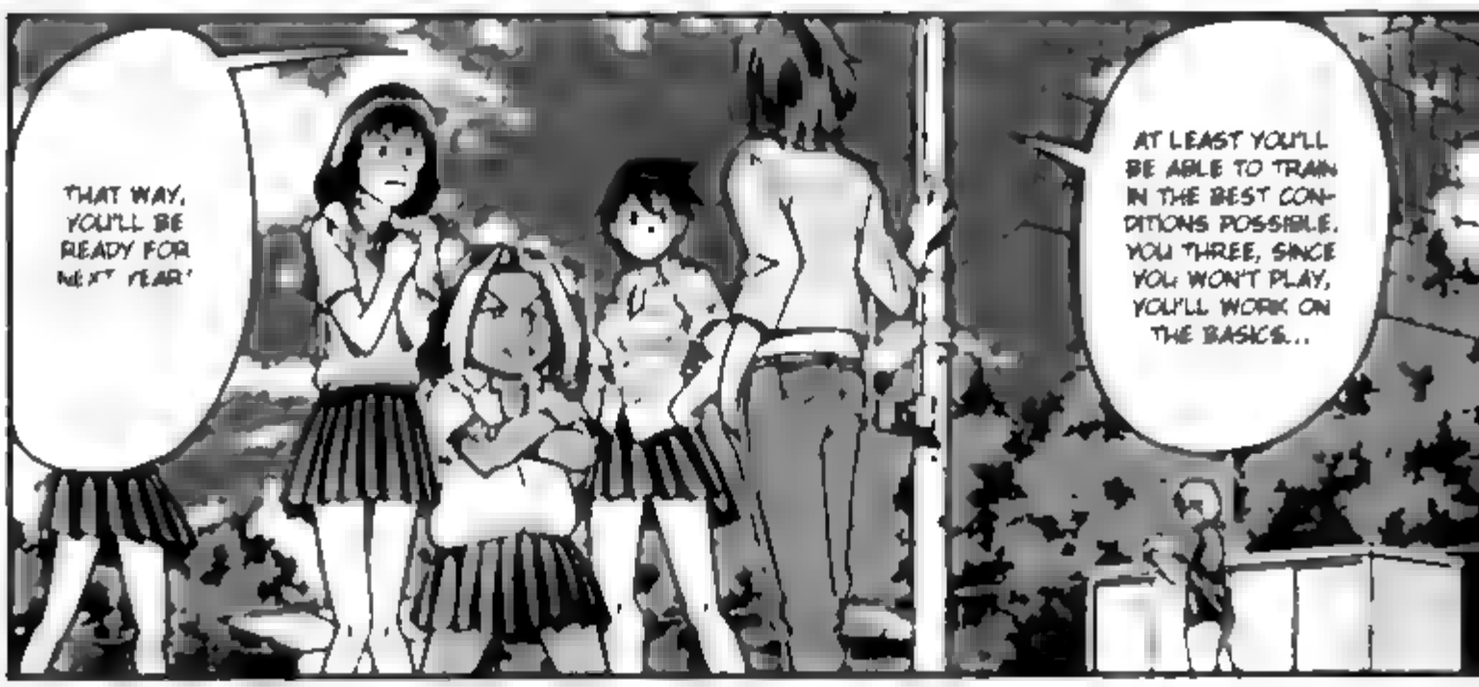
YOU'LL FINALLY BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN THE MADONNA CUP!
I WANTED TO CONGRATULATE THE FIVE OF YOU!

AND DID YOU KNOW THAT THE CUP IS NAMED AFTER THE HEROINE FROM BOTCHAN, THE POPULAR NOVEL BY SOSEKI NATSUME?
NO...

WE'LL GO TO EHIME!!
WE'LL BE STARS IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY ..

YOU'RE REALLY EXCITED, RIGHT?

IT'S REALLY AMAZING! A-MA-ZING!
APPARENTLY YOU BUILT THIS COURT BY YOURSELVES?
ANYWAY! FROM TODAY ONWARD, I'LL BE TRAINING YOU FOR THE MADONNA CUP!

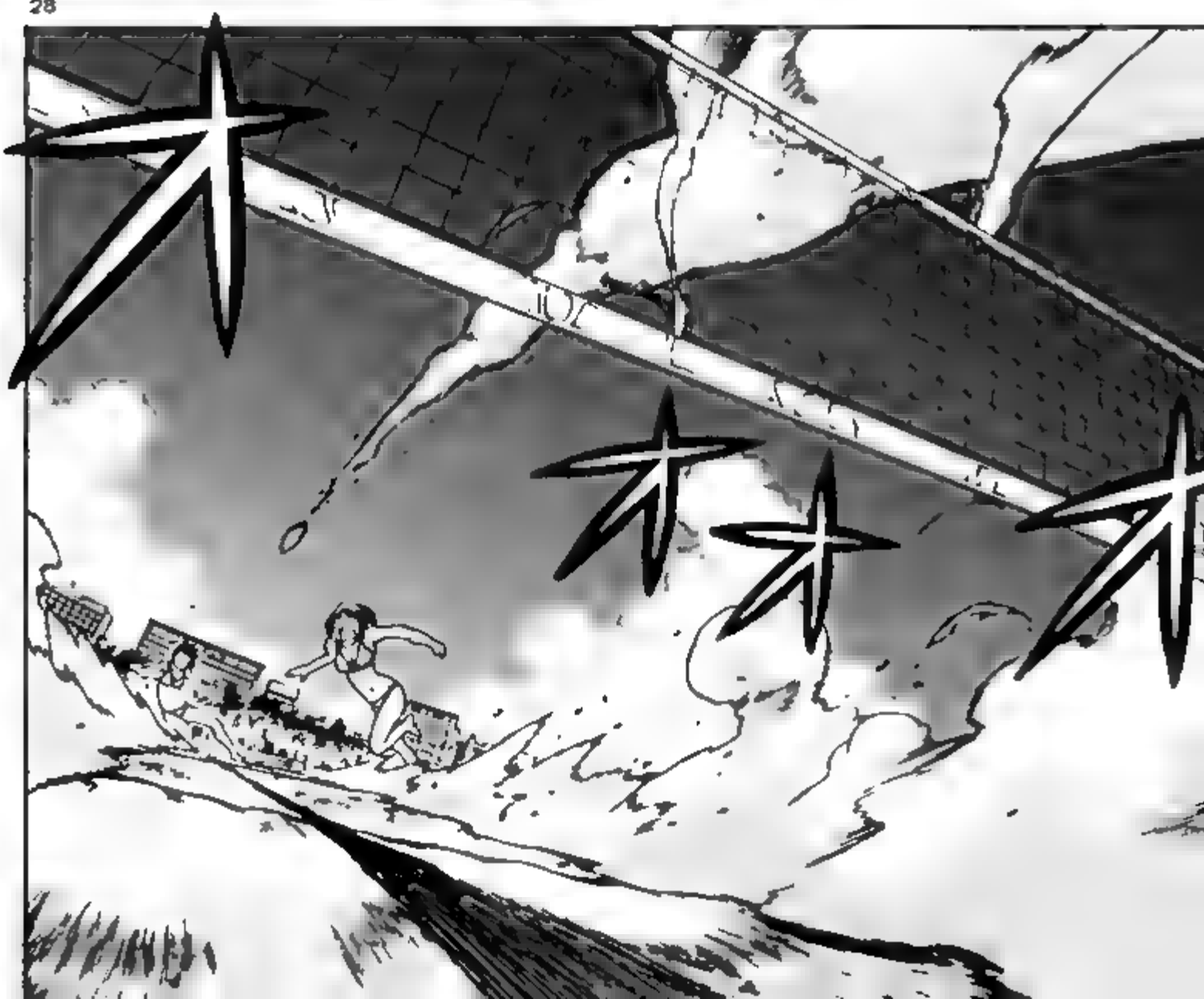

THAT WAY, YOU'LL BE READY FOR NEXT YEAR!
AT LEAST YOU'LL BE ABLE TO TRAIN IN THE BEST CONDITIONS POSSIBLE. YOU THREE, SINCE YOU WON'T PLAY, YOU'LL WORK ON THE BASICS...

UNFORTUNATELY, TIME IS AGAINST US, SO I CAN ONLY TRAIN YOU HOW TO PLAY AGAINST HER TEAM...
.. YOUR GOAL ISN'T TO WIN THE CUP, BUT TO BEAT HAYAKAWA!
AS FOR YOU TWO

A DVD?
REALLY? WHAT IS IT?
BEFORE WE START, I'D LIKE TO SHOW YOU SOMETHING.

MICHIRU, WE HAVE TEA IN THE FRIDGE, RIGHT?
IT DOESN'T LOOK THAT BIG FROM THE OUTSIDE!

OH, IT'S HER!!
SANAE HAYAKAWA'S TURN TO SERVE!!



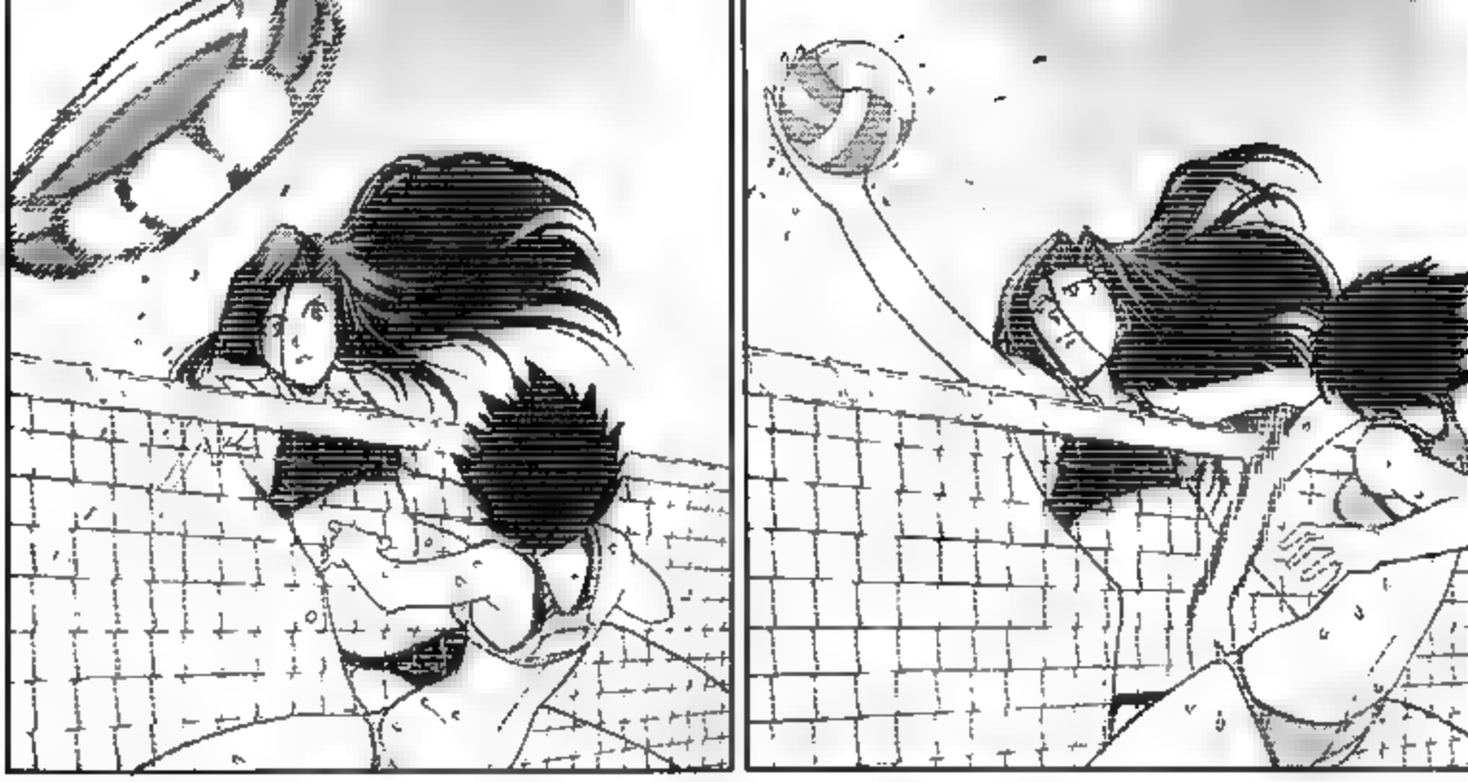
HER STINGER SHOT IS UN-STOPPABLE!!
AND SHE SCORES!!

.. IS TROU-BLE-SOME, BUT..
IT'S TRUE THAT THE STINGER SHOT OF HAYAKAWA ..

AND HER SHOT IS AS ACCU-RATE AS A SNIPER.
WOW .. IT'S INCREDIBLE! SHE AIMS STRAIGHT FOR THE CORNERS.

WILL THE HAYAKAWA AND ONO DUO MANAGE TO BLOCK THE OPPONENT'S SPIKE?!
ATTACKERS AND DEFENDERS ARE FACING EACH OTHER AT THE NET!!

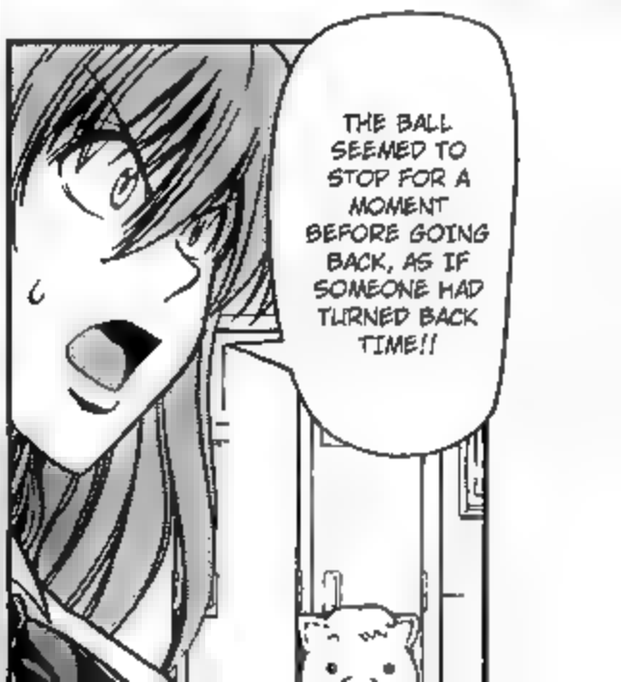
I'M FAST-FOR-WARD-ING A BIT
WHAT I WANT TO SHOW YOU IS AFTER THAT.



DAMN... WHAT WAS THAT COUNTER?!
AAAH! I KNOW THAT TECHNIQUE!!

REIKA ONO'S TECHNIQUE IS REALLY EFFECTIVE ...
EXACTLY. THAT'S WHAT THE PARTNER OF HAYAKAWA IS ABLE TO DO THIS YEAR.

OH? YOU KNOW HER?
IT'S REIKA, RIGHT?


THE BALL SEEMED TO STOP FOR A MOMENT BEFORE GOING BACK, AS IF SOMEONE HAD TURNED BACK TIME!!

TO THE POINT OF EARNING
THE NAME SPIDER TRAP!!

AGAINST HER, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO SPIKE!

THE SIMPLE FACT THAT SHE PULLS BACK HER HAND EVER SO SLIGHTLY ALLOWS HER TO COUNTER ANY SPIKE BY ABSORBING THE FORCE OF THE BALL. .

YOU UNDERSTAND NOW?
.....

IF YOU CAN'T OVERCOME THAT PROBLEM ...
... NOT ONLY WILL YOU NOT SCORE ANY POINTS, THE BALL WILL NEVER EVEN REACH HAYAKAWA.

I ALREADY THOUGHT ABOUT IT AND I FOUND A SOLUTION ..
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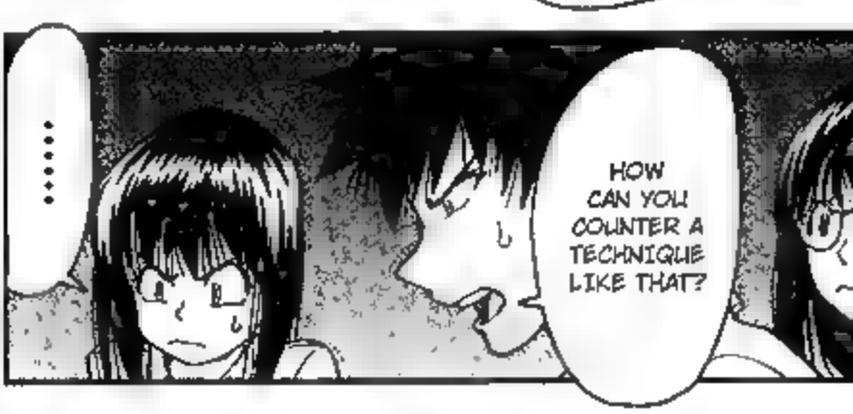
HOW CAN YOU COUNTER A TECHNIQUE LIKE THAT?
.....

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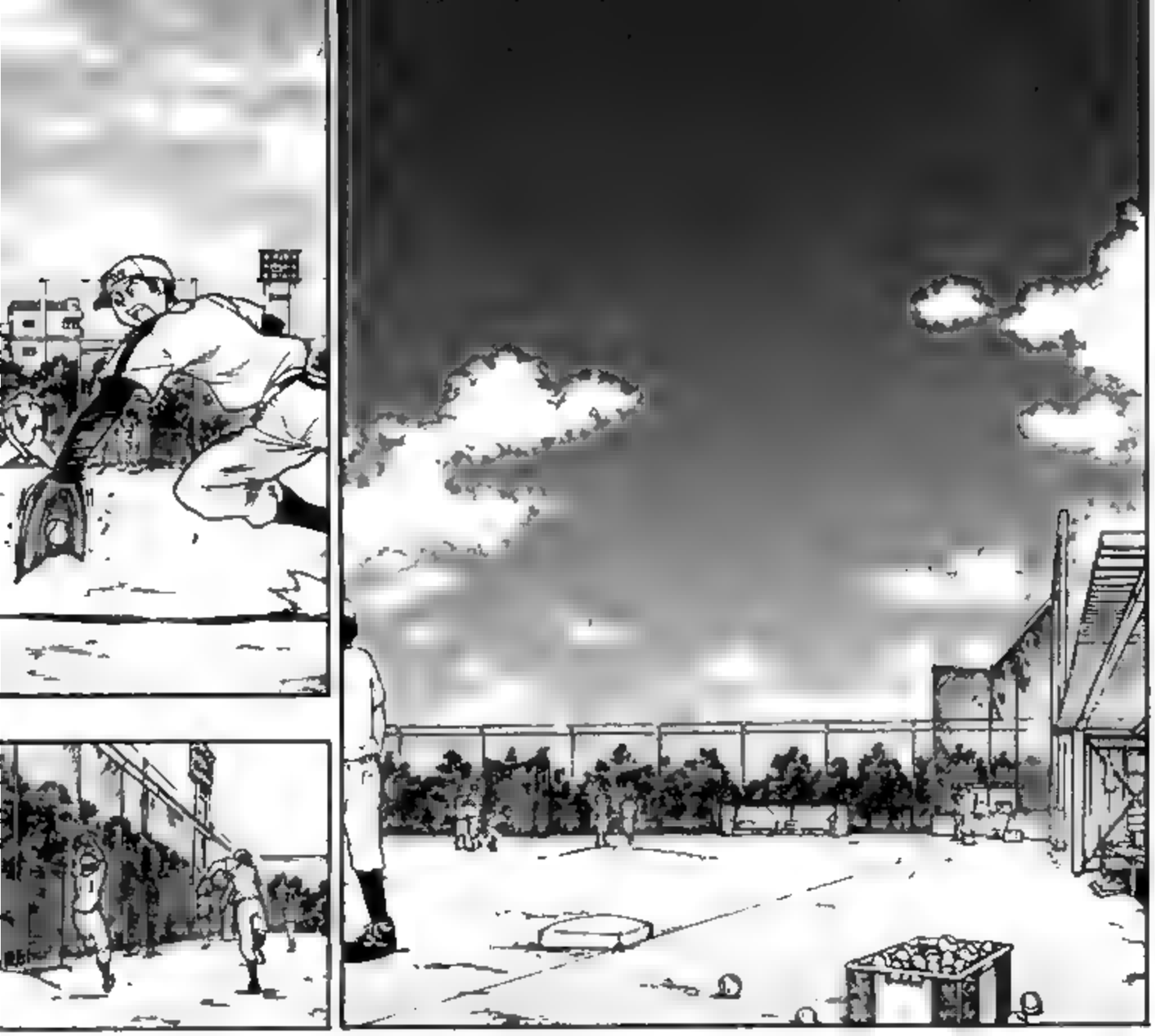
SO, IRUKA, YOU'LL BE THE ONE TO DO IT!
WHAT?! WHY ME?!

YOU MUST MAKE A LONG DISTANCE SPIKE OUTSIDE OF THE SPIDER TRAP'S ZONE.



EXACTLY!!
BUT MISS RYOKO, I THOUGHT I WAS SUPPOSED TO TRAIN FOR LONG DISTANCE SPIKES?
IT IS BASE-BALL!
BASE-BALL..?

I KNOW, RIGHT! WE'VE NEVER WON A GAME!
WHAT'S THE POINT OF ALL THIS EFFORT . . ?
FOCUS ON CATCH-ING THE BALL!!
HEY, GUYS!!

YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE!!

NO, PLEASE!
LEAVE US ALONE, PLEASE!!
WHERE'S YOUR PITCHER?!
COME HERE!!
WHAT DO YOU WANT? NOW IS NOT THE TIME!!
I'VE COME HERE TO CHAL-LENGE YOU!!
LOOK AT THIS WUSS!
DO YOU HAVE ANY BALLS AT ALL?!

HMM... IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR THE PITCHER...
... IT'S ME, IWAMURA.
HIGASAKI

GOOD, IWA-MURA!!
YOU'LL PLAY AGAINST THIS YOUNG GIRL!!
WHAT?!
SORRY, BUT I REFUSE. THE GAME WOULD BE UNFAIR.
NOT THAT I WANT TO BRAG, BUT MY THROWS ARE PRETTY FAST.
HIGASAKI

カチン..
HIGASAKI
AND IT'S TRUE THAT YOU'D LOOK BAD IF YOU LOST AGAINST SOME CHICK ...
YEAAAH... IT DOESN'T COST YOU A THING TO SAY THAT, IF NOBODY CHECKS IT ...
BUT WHY BASE-BALL?
DON'T LET THE GIRLS LAUGH AT YOU!!
COME ON, IWAMURA!!

WHYYYYYY?!

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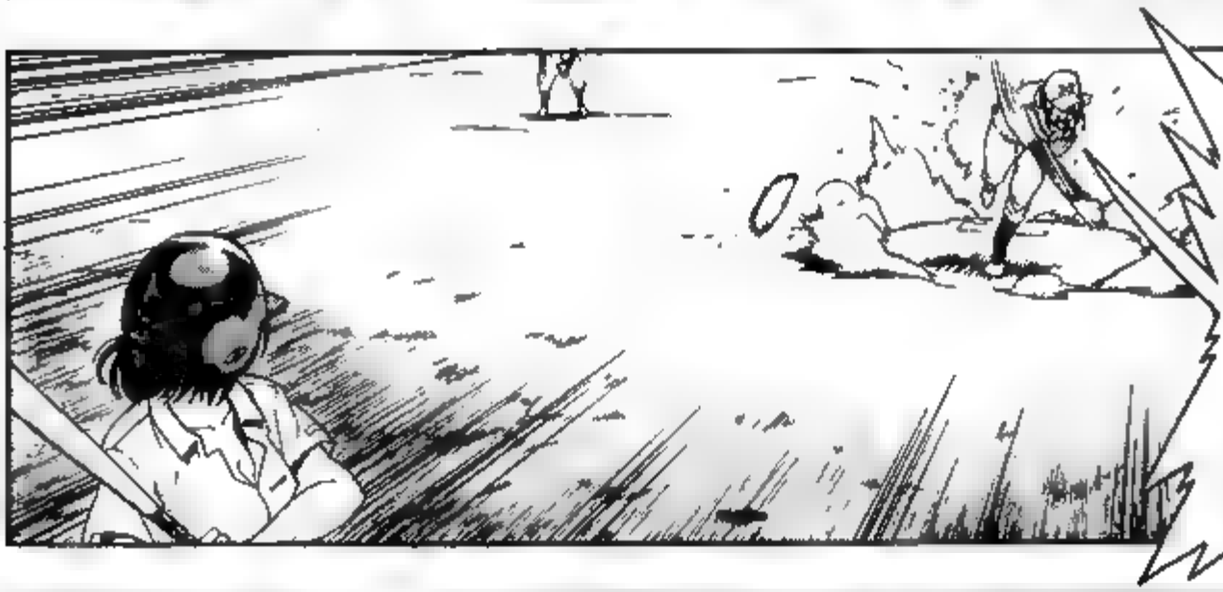
WHA
...?
HIGASAKI

I DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE WITH SOME RANDOM CHICK!
HAHAHA! HOW COULD SHE SEE A BALL THAT FAST?

GOOD JOB, INAMURA!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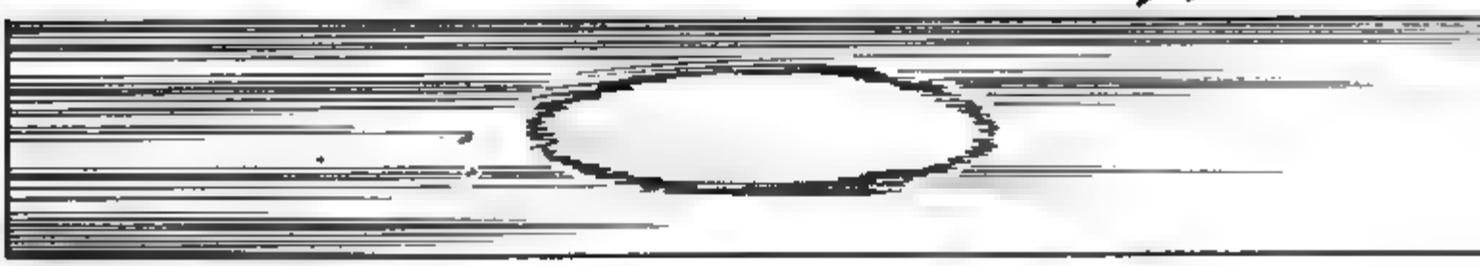

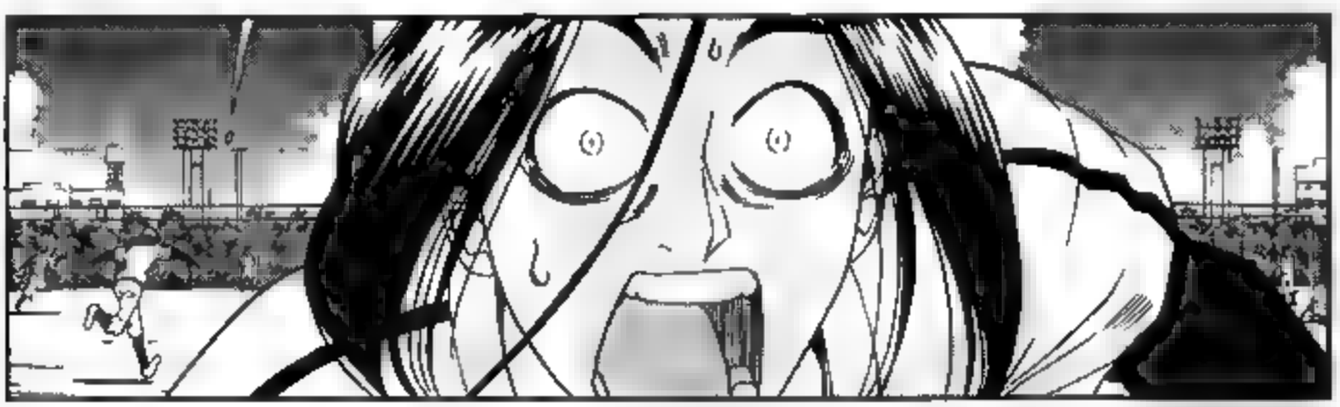

AM I DREAM-ING?!
SHE... SHE HIT IT?!
HIDE
HIGASAKI

I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO STRIKE HER OUT!
PFFF! IT WAS JUST A FLUKE... THAT'S ALL!!
WHAT'S WRONG, IWAMURA? THAT'S YOUR UNTOUCHABLE BALL?
GOOD JOB, IRUKA!
YEAAH!
HIII.. MY HANDS ARE STILL SHAKING!

HAPPEN ONLY ONCE!!
AND MIRACLES ...

SHE WON'T HAVE A HARD TIME BEATING A BAD PITCHER LIKE HIM.
HEHE' PERFECT. IRUKA'S VISION IS PERFECT, EVEN IN FRONT OF AN OBJECT THAT MOVES AT HIGH SPEED.
HOW ARE YOU DOING THAT?!

I WANT MY REVENGE!!
WHAAAAT?!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, A HOME RUN?! ARE YOU KID-DING ME?!
WHAAAT?! A HOME RUN?!
ANYWAY, WE'RE LEAVING' YOU CAN STOP WHEN YOU'VE HIT A HOME RUN.

WE AGREE THAT THE STRONGER A PLAYER IS, THE FURTHER SHE CAN SPIKE, RIGHT?
THE PROBLEM IS THAT IRUKA ISN'T STRONG.
YEAH, TRUST ME!
IS IT REALLY A GOOD IDEA TO LEAVE HER HERE ALONE?
SO SHE MUST LEARN HOW TO SPIKE BY EFFICIENTLY USING THE STRENGTH SHE ALREADY HAS.
AND EVEN IF SHE WAS TO TRAIN HARD FROM NOW ON, WE ALREADY KNOW HOW IT WILL END

AND YOU KNOW WHAT? IT'S ALL BECAUSE SHE TWISTED HER HIPS. IT GAVE AN ADDITIONAL FORCE TO HER SHOULDERS AND ARMS.
. I REALIZED SHE'D BE ABLE TO DO IT
WHEN I SAW HER LAST SPIKE DURING THE FINAL .
EVEN THOUGH SHE'S SMALL, SHE MADE A SPIKE POWERFUL ENOUGH TO DESTABILIZE KURACHI ..

I NAMED THIS SPECIAL TECHNIQUE OF THE BUTT ...
... THE BACK HANGER!!

LET'S GO BACK TO OUR TRAIN-ING.
YEAH, WELL, WE DON'T CARE ABOUT THE NAME ..
.....

YES! WE'LL BE TOGETHER AGAIN!
MICHIRU! NEXT YEAR, WE HAVE TO WIN!

CAPTAIN! HERE SHE IS!!
SHE'S COMING !!
TODAY, I'LL STRIKE HER OUT!!
THIS BITCH WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS SO EASILY!

... FOR THE WORLD SERIES!!
LET'S AIM...

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GRRR... I'LL KILL HER!!
SAKI
ANYWAY, COME ON!! I'LL BEAT YOU TO A PULP!!
OH REALLY?! IS IT TRUE?!
YOU'RE IN THE BEACH VOLLEY CLUB, MORON!!
SHUT UP!!
IWAMURAAA! DON'T LET HER WIN TODAY!!

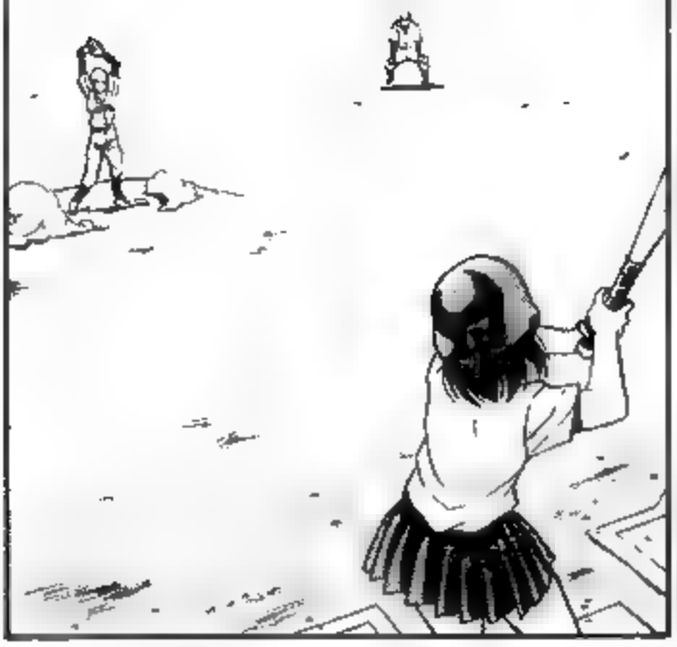
.....
YEAH RIGHT! YOU'RE STILL USELESS!!
OOOOH!!
THIS TIME, IT WON'T BE THE SAME AS YESTERDAY!!

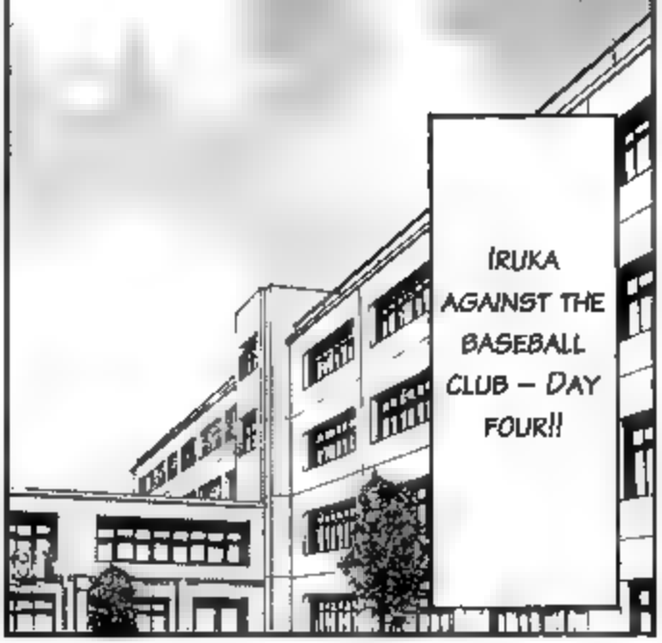
I'M START-
ING TO GET
USED TO IT

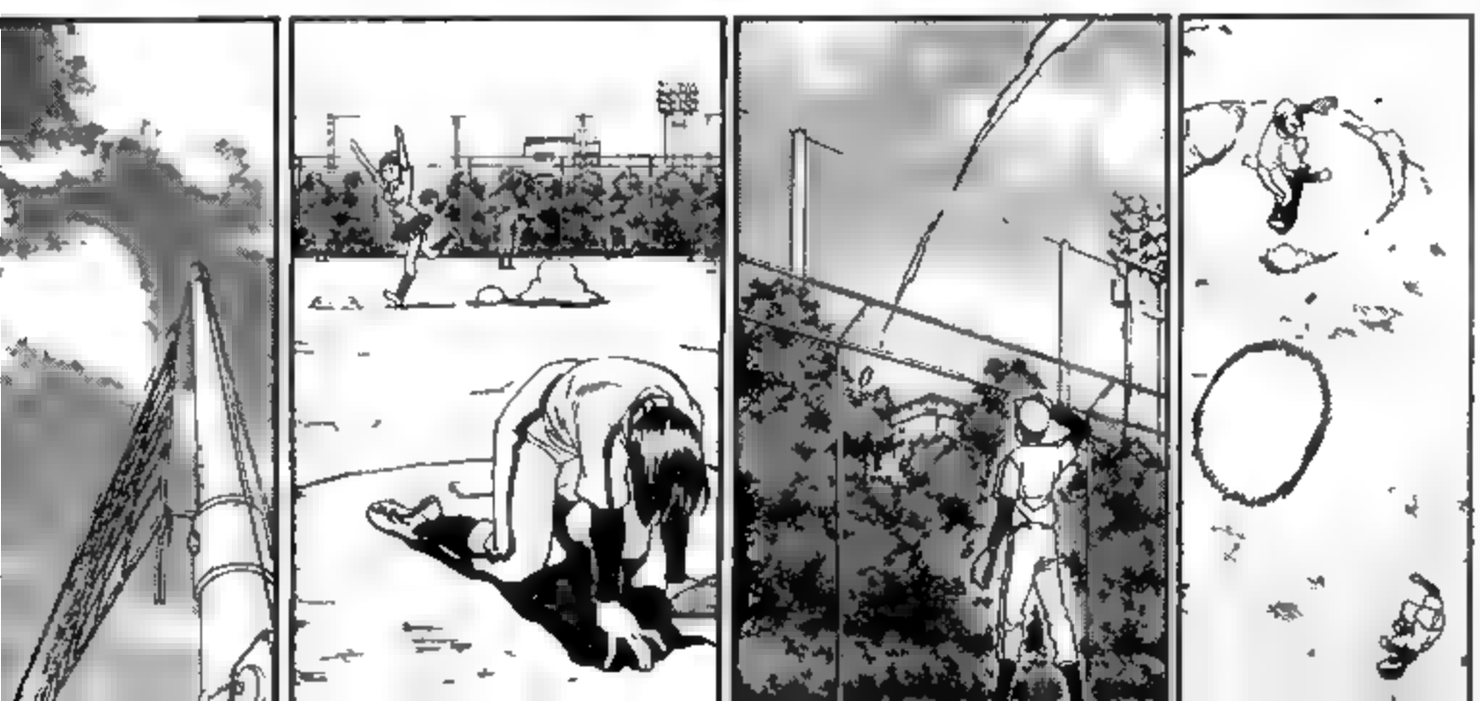
WHAT DID
SHE EAT?!
DAMN! SHE
SENT IT WAY
FURTHER THAN
YESTERDAY!

UNTIL NOW,
I WAS USING
MY ARMS
...
...BUT IN
FACT, I
NEED TO
PUSH WITH
MY TORSO
BY TWIST-
ING MY
HIPS.

MISS RYOKO, I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU.




IRUKA AGAINST THE BASEBALL CLUB – DAY FOUR!!



I DID IT! I HIT A HOME RUN!!

AH? EH... GRATS.
THANK YOU!!

THIS GIRL IS INCREDIBLE...
I DIDN'T THINK SHE'D BE SO QUICK TO FIND OUT HOW TO USE HER OWN STRENGTH ...
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IRUKA..
WE'LL HAVE A MATCH.

I WANT TO SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO...
WHAT? BUT... WHAT DO YOU MEAN ...?
YOU'LL PLAY AGAINST ME.
?
I'LL PLAY WITH HER.
RIN?!
YOU AGAINST ME? BUT YOU'RE AN EX-OLYMPIC PLAYER!!
WHAT'S MORE, YOU DON'T HAVE A PARTNER ...
LIKE IN A REAL MATCH.
AND I WANT YOU TO GIVE IT YOUR ALL.

RIN, WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
YES.
YOU'VE THOUGHT THIS THROUGH?

TO PROVE THAT YOU WANT ME TO STAY ..
YOU'LL HAVE TO BEAT US...

AIZAWA PLAYS WITH TAKKI, KOTOMI PLAYS WITH IRUKA. THEN WHAT ABOUT ME?
OVER TIME, I'VE BECOME A BURDEN ON YOU GUYS...

... OTHERWISE, I'LL QUIT THE BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB...
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WE AREN'T JOKING ANYMORE!
The Beach Stars

TO PROVE THAT YOU WANT ME TO STAY, YOU'LL HAVE TO BEAT US ...
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... OTHERWISE, I'LL QUIT THE BEACH VOLLEY-BALL CLUB...

... RIN...
ARE... ARE YOU CRAZY?!
BUT WHY?!

IRUKA...
IT'S BECAUSE YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE WHO DIDN'T PLAY IN A MATCH, RIGHT?

NO...
THAT'S NOT THE REASON ...
YOU'RE WRONG ...

TELL ME THAT I'M IN A NIGHT-MARE!
I DON'T WANT TO! I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANYONE LEAVE THE CLUB ANYMORE!!

IF YOU WANT YOUR FRIEND TO STAY, YOU MUST WIN THIS MATCH!
RIN ISN'T ACTING ON A WHIM.
SHE PON-DERED ON THE QUES-TION FOR QUITE SOME TIME.
IRUKA, LET'S PLAY ...

YOU DAMN WITCH!!

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HIIIIK! HOW CAN YOU BE SO DISRESPECTFUL TO YOU COACH?!
YOU'RE ONLY A BITCHY WITCH!!

YOU SHOULD HAVE REFUSED TO PLAY WITH HER!!
WITCH !!

WI... WITCH?! ME?!
YEAH! AND A NASTY ONE!!

IRUKA! CALM DOWN!!
SHE'S RIGHT. YOU SHOULD WATCH WHAT YOU'RE SAYING!!
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ALL RIGHT WE'LL PLAY AGAINST YOU
BUT WE WON'T LOSE!
OKAY ...
DAMN IT! WHY DIDN'T I TRUST MY INTUITION?

RIN... I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL...
IT SEEMS THAT WE HAVE A REBELLIOUS PLAYER...

DAMN WITCH!!
GOOD! IF EVERYONE'S READY. .

YOU FINALLY FOUND YOUR RESOLVE...

RIN...

I'LL WIN NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!!

NO MATTER WHO OUR OPPONENT IS, IRUKA,
WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE: WE MUST WIN IF WE WANT TO KEEP RIN.

WHAT?!
IF IRUKA LOSES THIS MATCH, RIN WILL QUIT THE CLUB!

SENSEI!!
WELL, WELL, WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

WE'LL PLAY WITH A HANDICAP OF 10 POINTS IN YOUR FAVOUR.
THIS MATCH WILL BE ONE SET OF 21 POINTS...

RYOKO · RIN 0 - 10 IRUKA · KOTOMI

WHAT AN IMPRESSIVE AURA...!
LET'S GO! LET'S PLAY!
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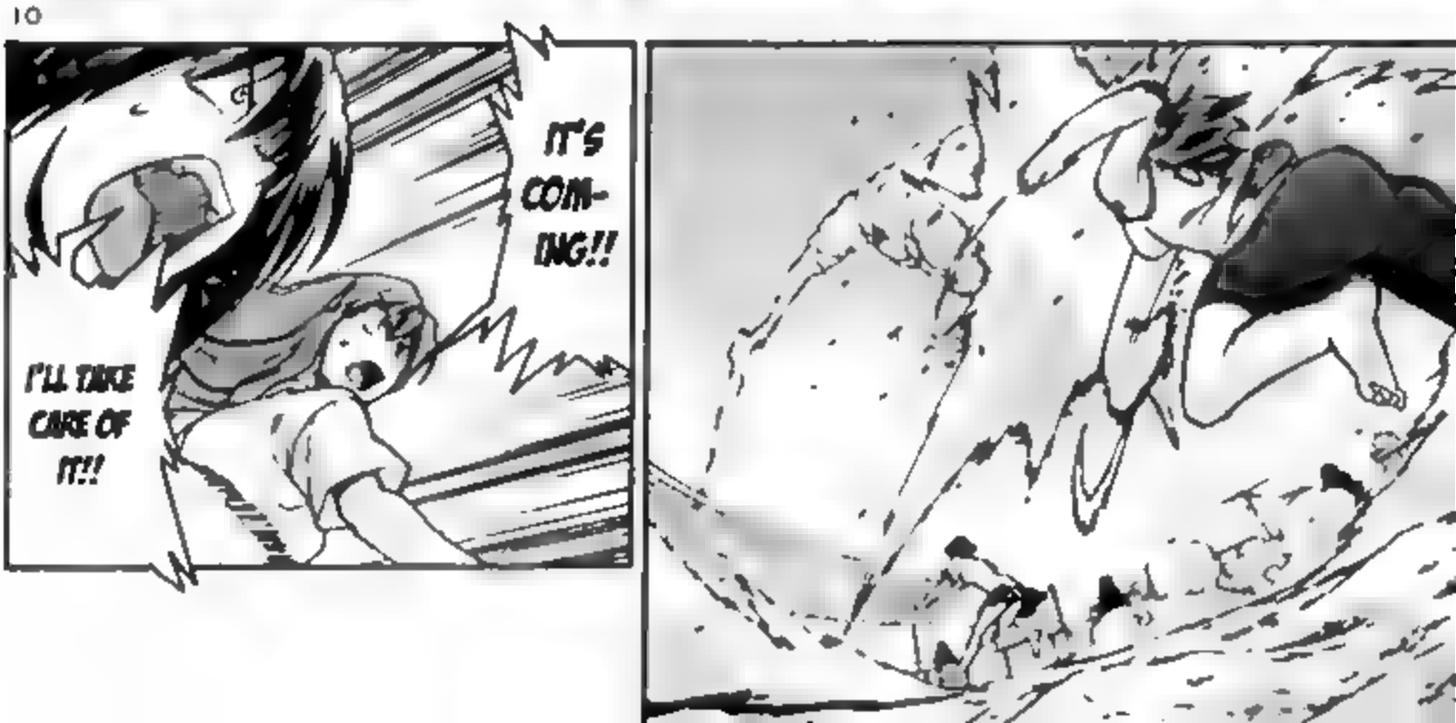
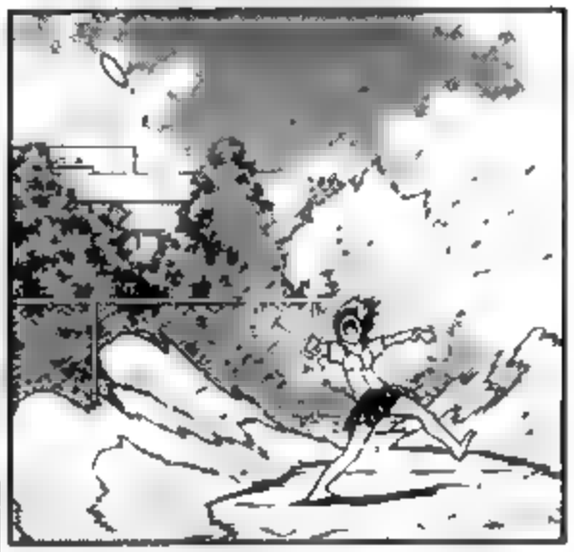
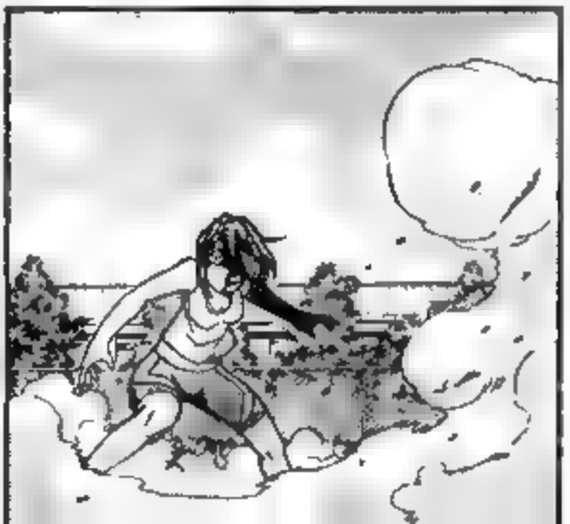
I WAS FINE WHEN I WAS NEXT TO HER, BUT NOW...
EVEN FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COURT, HER AURA IS OPPRESSIVE.


IT'S COM-ING!!
I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT!!





I COULD FEEL HER WILL TO WIN THROUGH THE BALL...

WHAT?! WHAT WAS THAT CRAZY SERVE?

IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF SPEED ...
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SAY IT, BUT ...

SO THAT'S ...
... WHAT A WORLD RE-NOWNED PLAYER IS LIKE?

... WE ARE TOTALLY OUT OF HER LEAGUE...

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IRUKA! ONLY A SECOND OF INATTENTION ...
... AND IT'S YOUR LOSS.
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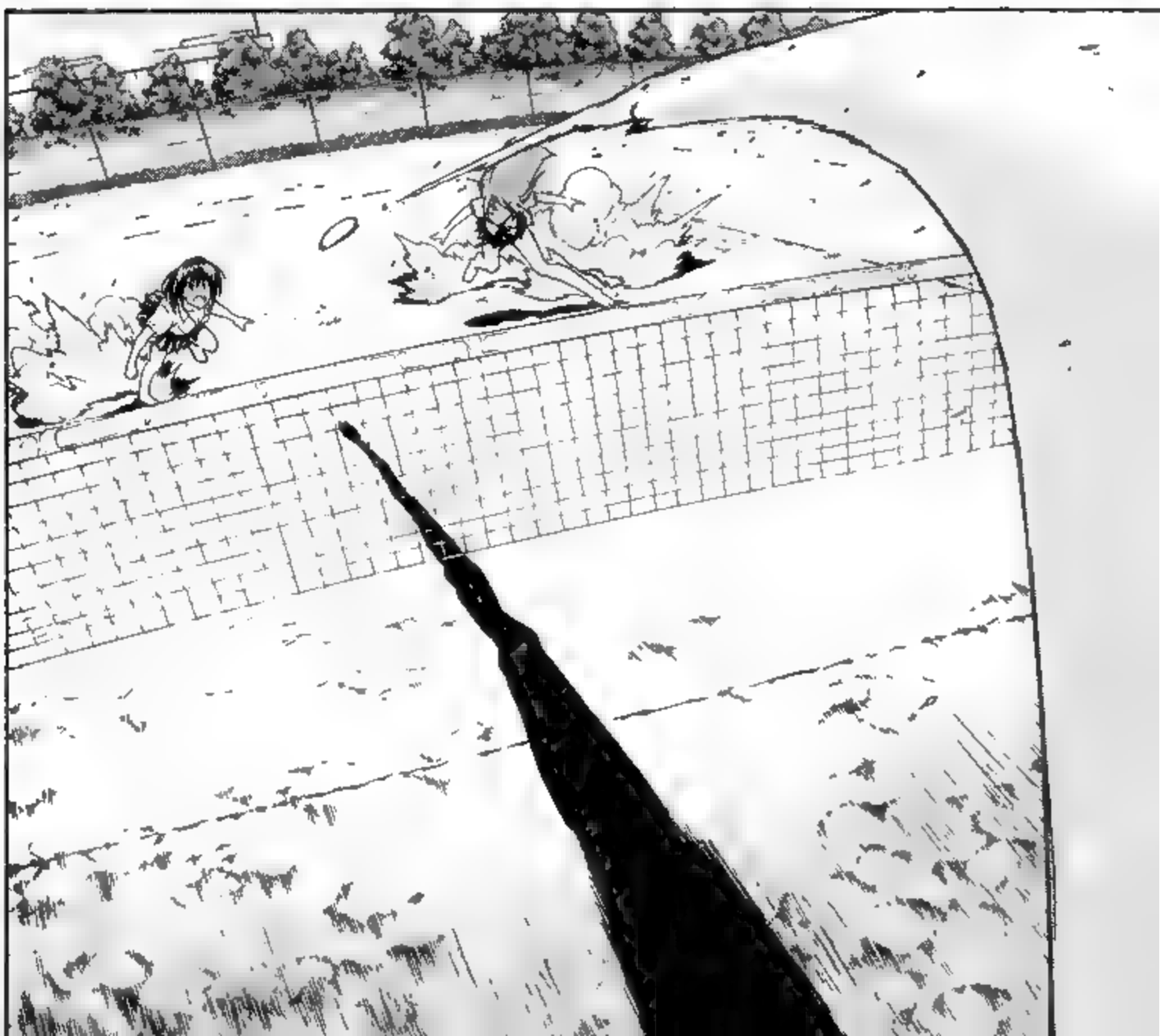

A QUICK SPIKE?!
SHE GOT IT!!
I'M COUNTER-ATTACK-ING!!

RIN, HERE YOU GO!!
SHE ANTICI-PATED MY SPIKE!!
ALL RIGHT!!

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DAMN IT! SHE GOT THEM!

RIN IS... REALLY STRONG!!
RYOKO · RIN 2 - 10 IRUKA · KOTOMI
THEY JUST SCORED 2 POINTS IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE!

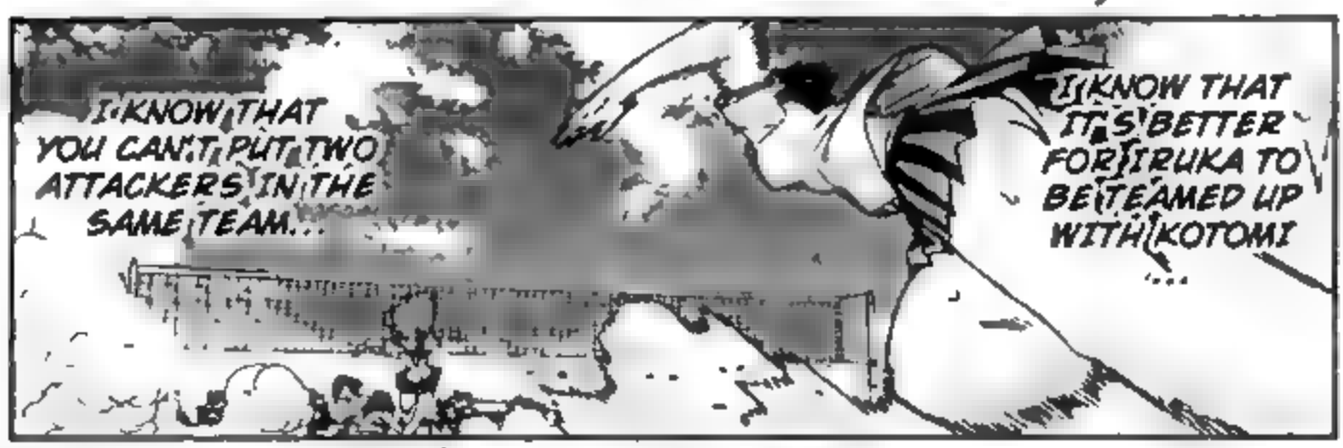
WHAT CAN WE DO?
WE'RE FACING A STRONG OPPO-NENT
BESIDES, WHEN WE WERE PLAYING VOLLEYBALL, SHE WAS PRETTY MUCH THE ONLY ONE TO SPIKE!
FROM THE START, IT'S HER SPIKE THAT WAS THE STRONGEST.

IRUKA IS REALLY SOMETHING! MY SERVE ISN'T WORKING ON HER ANYMORE!
I'LL COUNTER!!
IRUKA HAS BEEN MY BEST FRIEND SINCE MIDDLE SCHOOL...

THIS POINT IS OURS!!
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT!!
BUT... I KNEW THAT-IT WOULDN'T LAST!
WE WERE ALWAYS TOGETHER

I'M COUN-
TERING
AGAIN!!
RIN!

DAMN!
MISSED!!


I KNOW THAT
YOU CAN'T PUT TWO
ATTACKERS IN THE
SAME TEAM...
I KNOW THAT
IT'S BETTER
FOR IRUKA TO
BE TEAMED UP
WITH KOTOMI
...

IRUKA,
HIGH
PASS!!

... I FEEL LIKE KOTOMI IS STEALING IRUKA FROM ME AND THAT'S WHAT'S BOTHERING ME!!

I KNOW ALL THAT, BUT MY HEART CAN'T LET IT GO.

IT'S STUPID BUT ..

BEFORE THAT HAPPENS, I MUST...
WHAT?

I FEEL LIKE I'LL...
IN FACT, IF I STAY IN THIS CLUB...

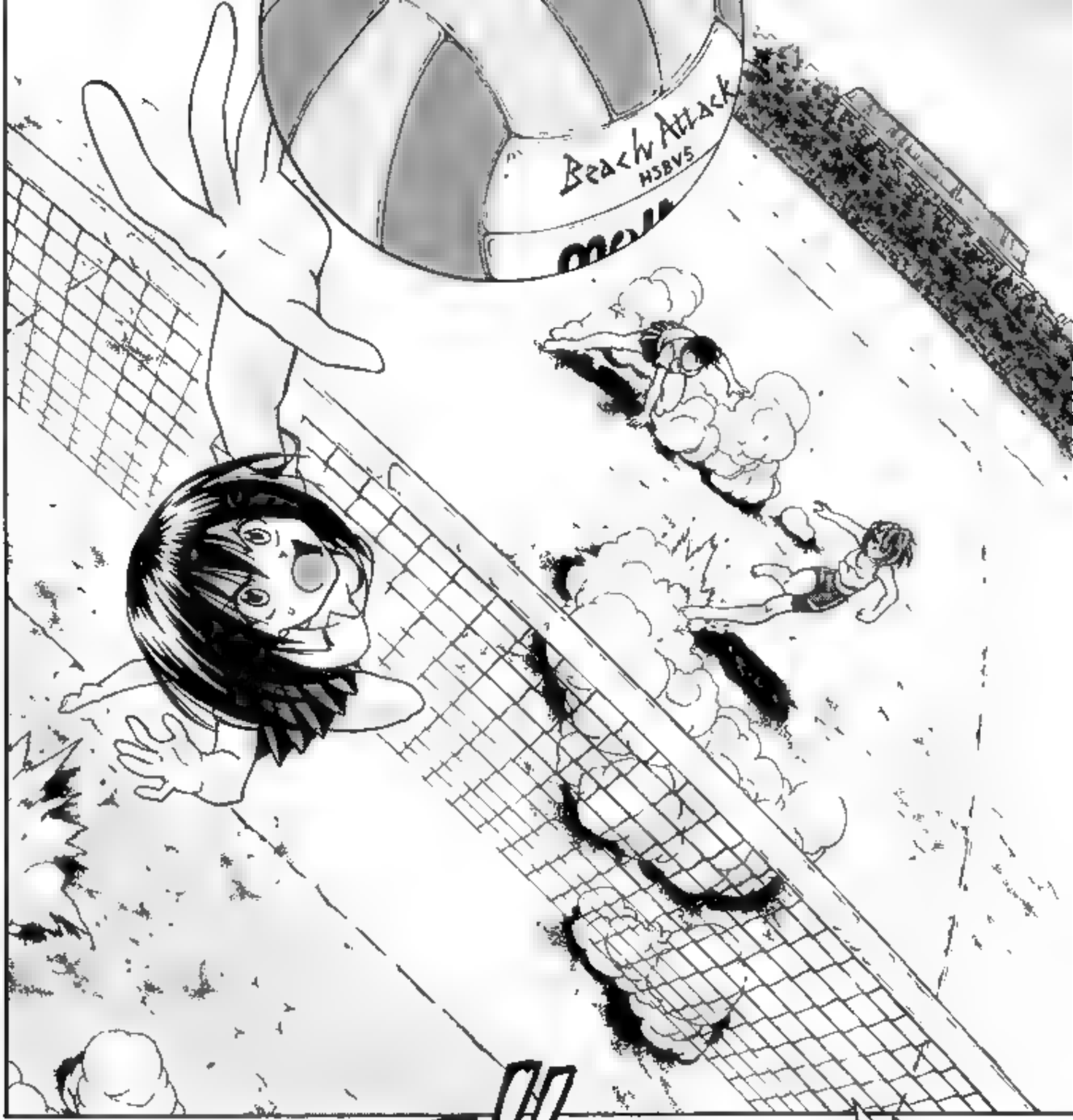
... HATING KOTOMI!
... I'LL END UP...
!

GOUWAH
!!

IRUKA...
SORRY
!!
STAY
FOCUSED!!

A DIRECT SHOT ?!

GOOD JOB!
NOT BAD


Beach Attack
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I HAVE A SMALL GIFT FOR YOU!!

SHE DID IT!!
IT SEEMS THAT SHE'S ALREADY USING THE BASICS FROM THE BASEBALL TRAINING...
I HAVE A HARD TIME BELIEVING IT CAME FROM SUCH A SMALL BODY ...
WHAT A SHOT!
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HEHEHE ...
TSSS ...
MISS RYOKO, A HIGH PASS!!

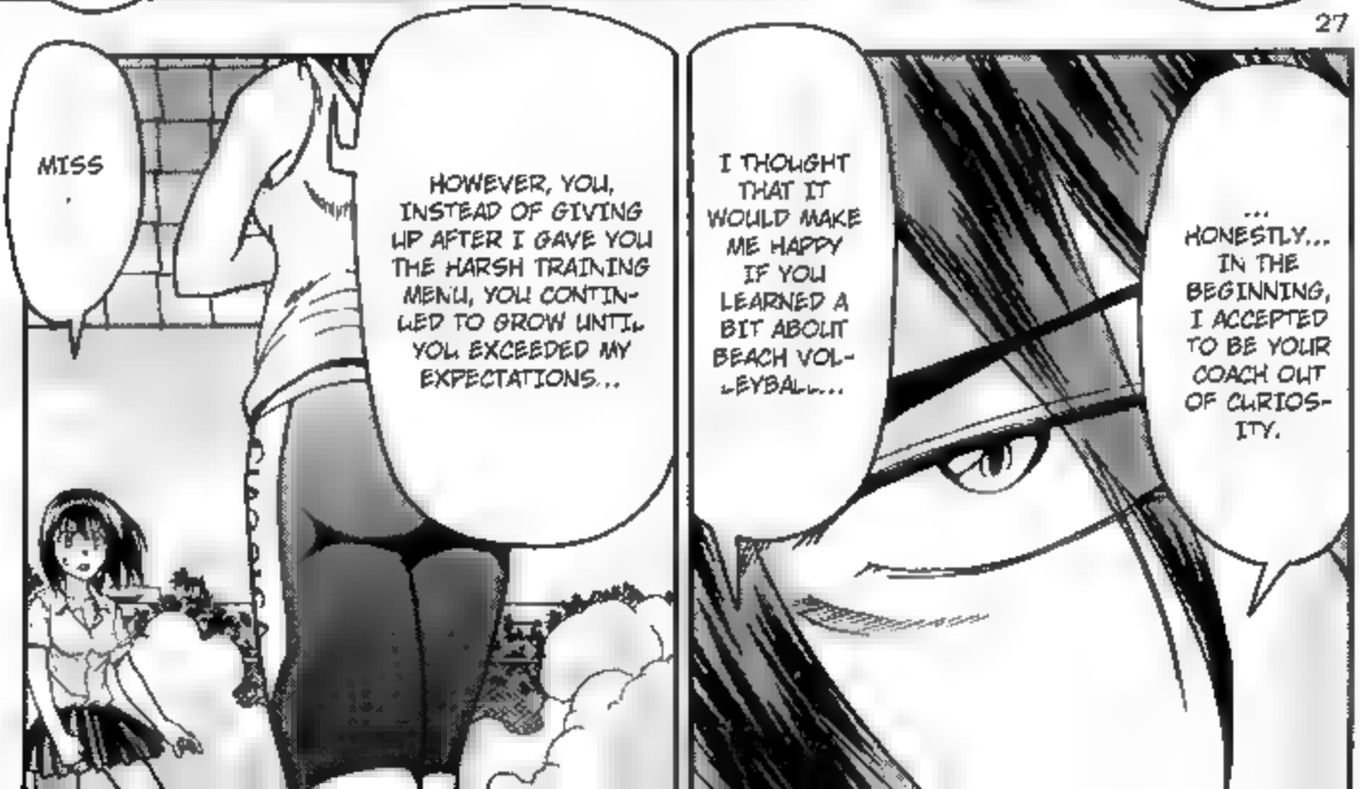
DAIKU !!

A CROSS SPIKE!!

SHE FEINTED AND DID A CROSS SPIKE AT THE LAST MOMENT! SHE GOT US!!
DAMN IT!
RYOKO · RIN 3 - 10 IRUKA · KOTOMI

STAY CALM IRUKA!
3 POINTS... THEY ALREADY SCORED 3 POINTS!
YOU NAIVE LITTLE GIRLS.
IT'S TOO EASY WITH YOU..

AND YOU KNOW, IRUKA..
I DON'T KNOW WHY I'M TRYING SO HARD FOR YOU; IT'S NOT MY STYLE..

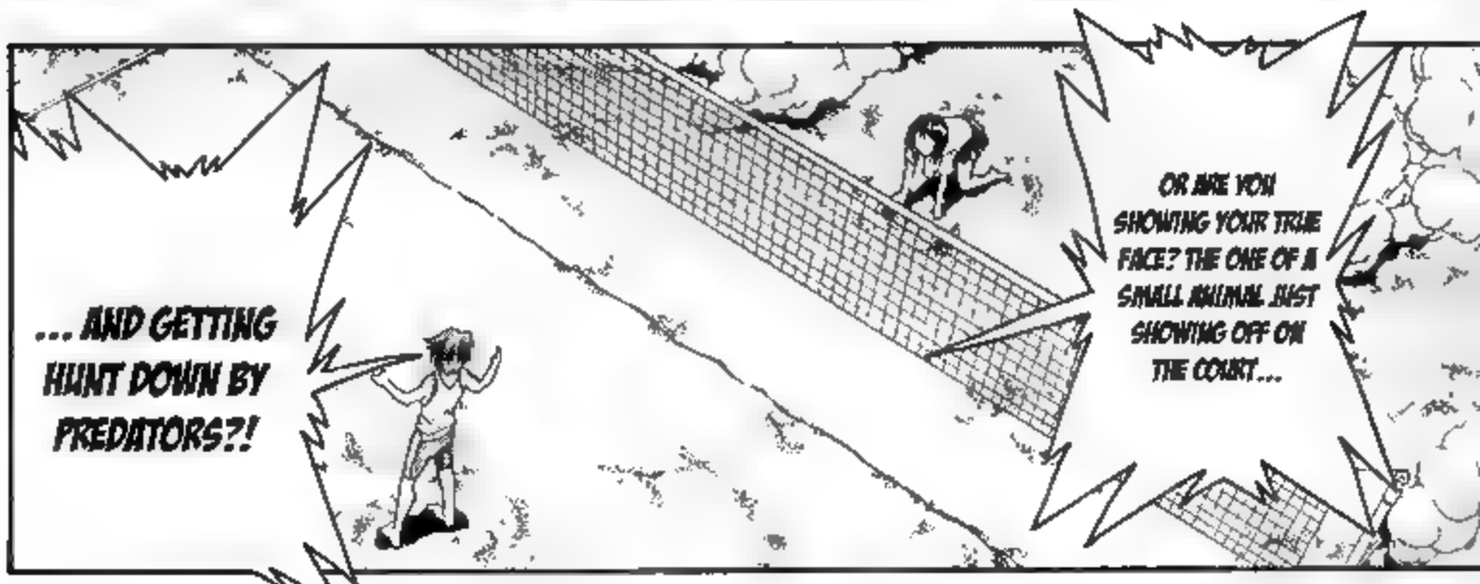

MISS.
HOWEVER, YOU, INSTEAD OF GIVING UP AFTER I GAVE YOU THE HARSH TRAINING MENU, YOU CONTINUED TO GROW UNTIL YOU EXCEEDED MY EXPECTATIONS...
I THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD MAKE ME HAPPY IF YOU LEARNED A BIT ABOUT BEACH VOLLEYBALL...
... HONESTLY... IN THE BEGINNING, I ACCEPTED TO BE YOUR COACH OUT OF CURIOSITY.

I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT I THINK YOU'RE A MIND-BLOWING PLAYER...
.. I CAN NO LONGER EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF IMPROVING, OR THE PLEASURE OF PLAYING AGAINST A STRONGER OPPONENT...
SINCE I'VE RETIRED...
IS IT JEALOUSY?

..
IMMATURE?
OR IS IT THAT I'M STILL...

GYAAAH!!

DAMN! DAMN! DAMN!
RYOKO · RIN 4 - 10 IRUKA · KOTOMI
WHAT'S WRONG, IRUKA?
ARE YOU REALLY THE PLAYER WHO BEAT THE FAMOUS YAMAGAMI PLAYERS?!

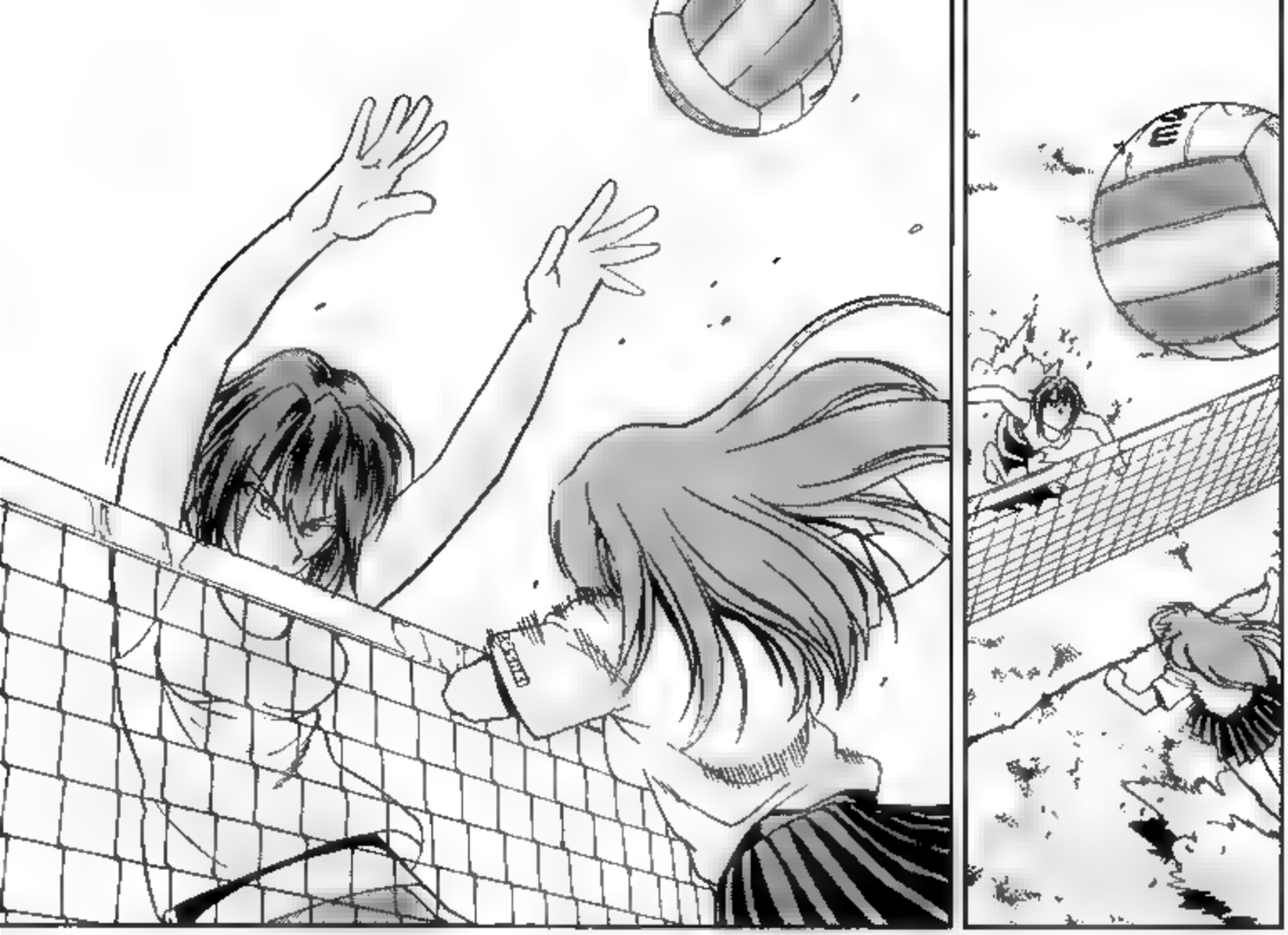

OR ARE YOU SHOWING YOUR TRUE FACE? THE ONE OF A SMALL ANIMAL JUST SHOWING OFF ON THE COURT...
... AND GETTING HUNT DOWN BY PREDATORS?!

IF YOU LOSE NOW WITHOUT EVEN PUTTING UP A FIGHT.
I'LL HAVE TO...

...
STEAL THIS YOUNG AND TALENTED PLAYER.

KOTOMI! WE HAVE TO WAKE UP OR WE'LL LOSE IN A MATTER OF MIN-UTES!
I COUNT ON YOU TO HELP ME DEFEND.
THE NEXT POINT WILL BE OURS!!

SO
TOUGH!
HER SPIKE MIGHT BE POWERFUL...



A PASS?!

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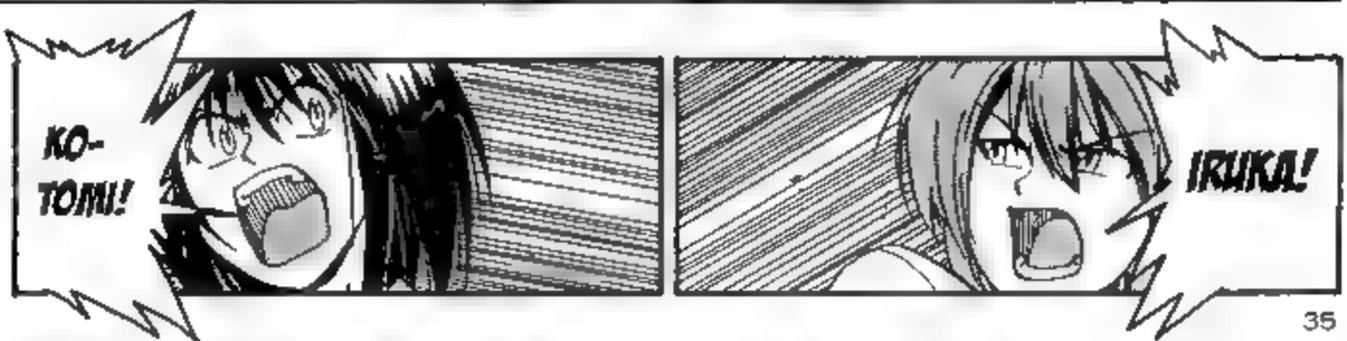
RYOKO · RIN 4 - 11 IRUKA · KOTOMI

... IS BARING ITS FANGS!!
IT SEEMS LIKE THE PUPPY...


KO-TOMI!
IRUKA!

NO WAY I'M LET-TING YOU TAKE RIN!

NEVER!!

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IT MAKES MY HEART SWAY

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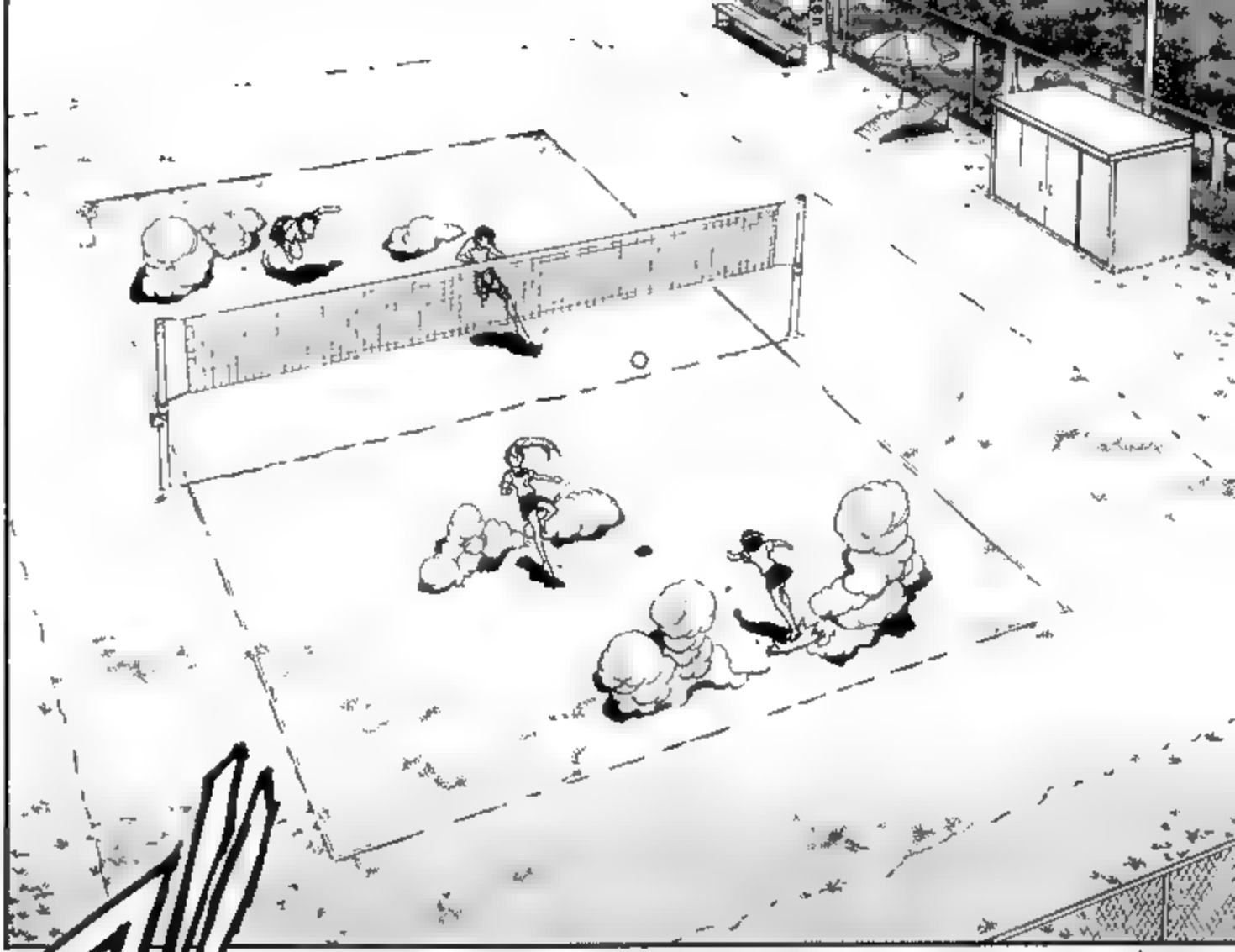

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EVEN WITH THE 10 POINTS HANDICAP, THEY WERE ABLE TO CATCH UP?!
RYOKO · RIN 15 - 16 IRUKA · KOTOMI
5 POINTS LEFT! YOU CAN DO IT!!

I WILL WIN!!

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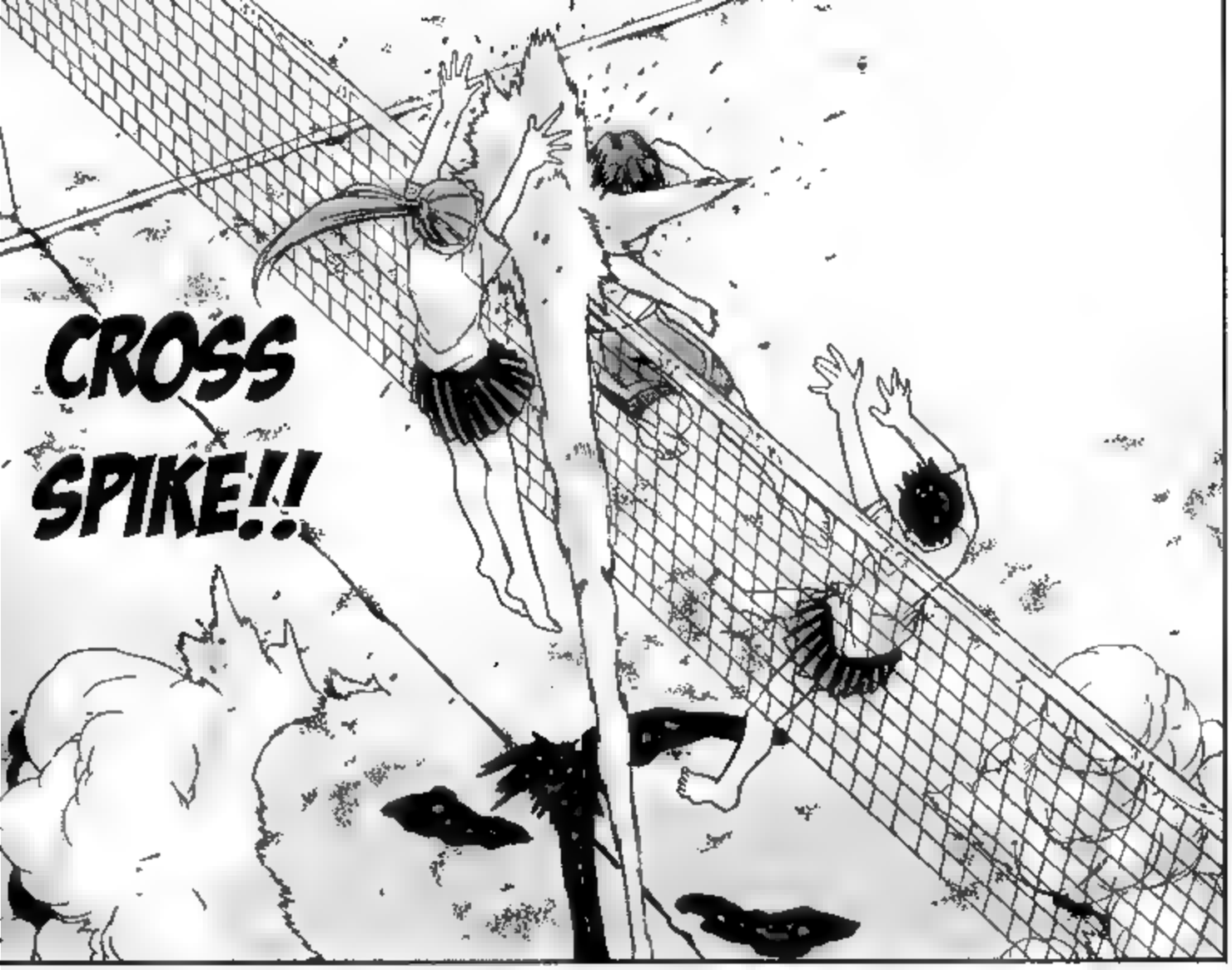
IRUKA'S FACE HAS CLEARLY CHANGED!!

BUT IT'S FINE, IT'S EXACTLY WHAT I WANTED!

WOHAAAAH
!!

THEY'RE MOVING SO FAST THAT IT LOOKS LIKE EVERYTHING WAS CALCULATED!!
AMAZING SPEED!!
I CAN DO IT!!
WHO WOULD!!
YOU THINK YOU CAN BLOCK MY BALL LIKE THAT?
SO-YOU'LL!
I'M EXCITED JUST THINKING ABOUT COUNTERING HER!!


CROSS
SPIKE!!

!
THEY GUIDED MY ATTACK ?!
DAMN! I UNDERES-TIMATED THEM AND THEY GOT ME!

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BE CAREFUL, RIN! THEY'LL ATTACK FROM THE CENTER!!
BUKA!!

AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH!!!
AN EYE FOR AN EYE...
CROSS SPIKE!!
!!!!

SHE ANSWERED RYOKO'S CROSS SPIKE ...
... WITH HER OWN CROSS SPIKE?!

IRUKA...
... YOU'RE REALLY SOMETHING!

HAYAKAWA AND YOU, YOU'RE LIKE DAY AND NIGHT! WHILE SANAE IS AN ACCURATE TACTICIAN, YOU'RE A POCKET FULL OF SURPRISES!
FROM OUR VERY FIRST MEETING, I WAS FASCINATED BY THE PLAYER THAT YOU ARE...

HIGH PASS!!
THAT'S ...
IRUKA!!
THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO PLAY SERIOUSLY AGAINST YOU!

RYOKO · RIN 20 – 18 IRUKA · KOTOMI

NO. IT WILL CONFUSE THEM MORE THAN ANY-THING.
GRRR! WHAT AM I SUP-POSED TO DO? GIVE THEM SOME ADVICE?

I KNOW!
DAMN! IF THEY SCORE ONE MORE POINT, EVERYTHING'S OVER!

WE'LL NEVER WIN WITH CLASSICAL GAMEPLAY!!
WHILE WE WON 8 POINTS, THEY WON 20!!

BUT IT'S NOT READY YET..
AND YOU KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF WE LOSE...

KOTOMI.. WE MUST DO THAT TRICK...
!

IRUKA.
IT'S NEVER BORING WITH YOU!

ARE YOU READY? YOUR LITTLE DISCUSSION IS OVER? CAN WE START PLAYING SERIOUSLY NOW?

WHAT AN AMAZING LOOK. THEY'LL PROBABLY TRY SOMETHING.

COME ON, IRUKA! GIVE ME EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT!!
BUT I'LL BLOCK THE BALL NO MATTER WHAT!!
GOOD! LET'S SEE WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND!

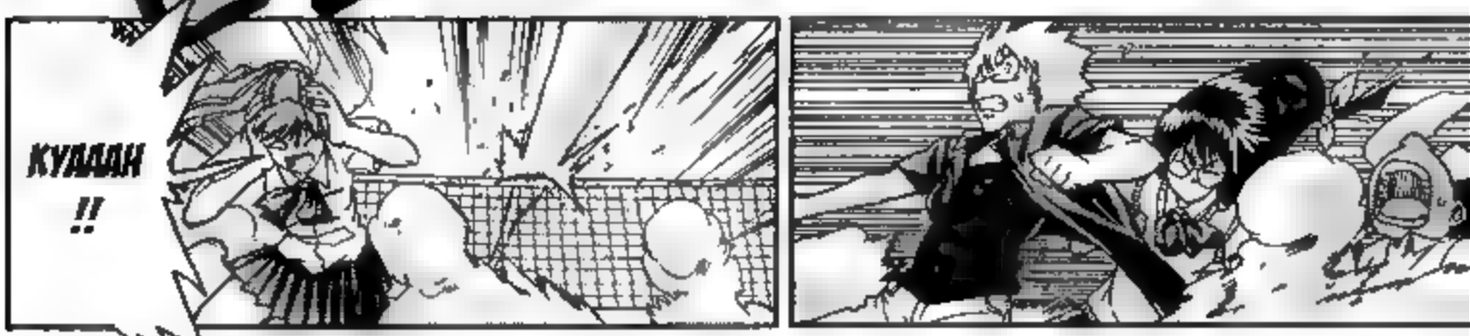
WHAT
HUH?

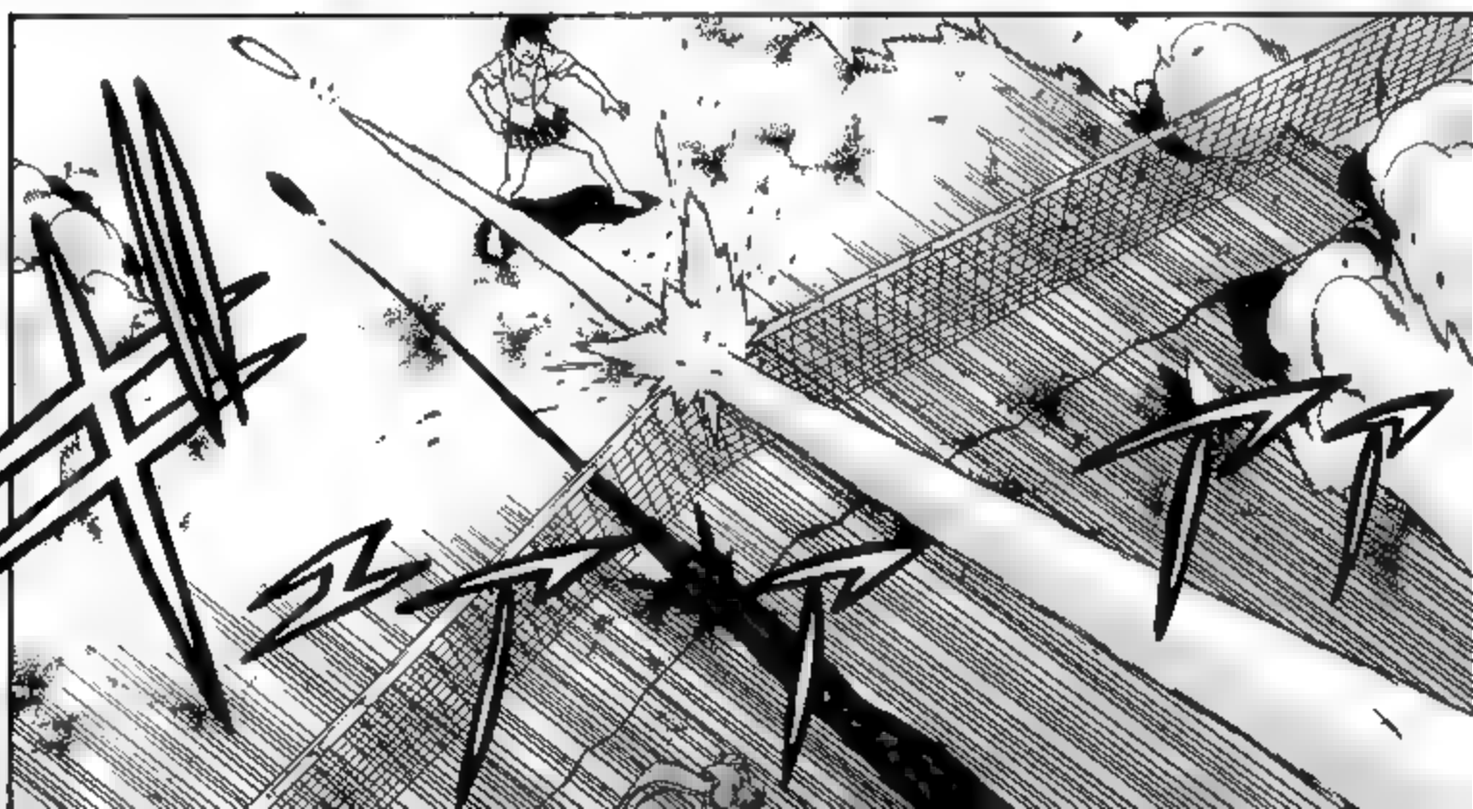
A BACK PASS?

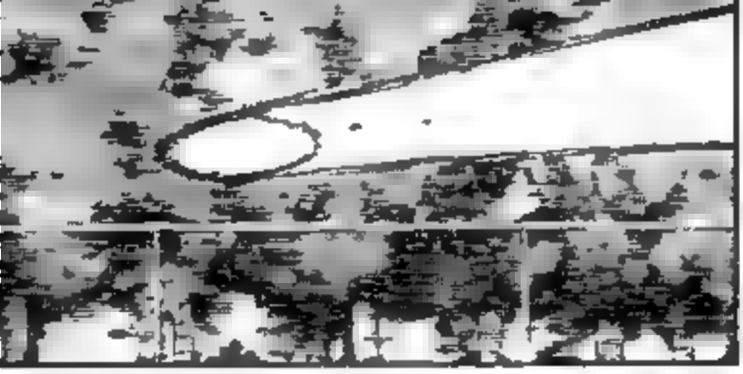
BUT IT'S ...
IT'S TOO FAR FROM THE NET!!
AND TOO HIGH TOO!!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO HELP ME...
... KEEP MY FRIEND!!

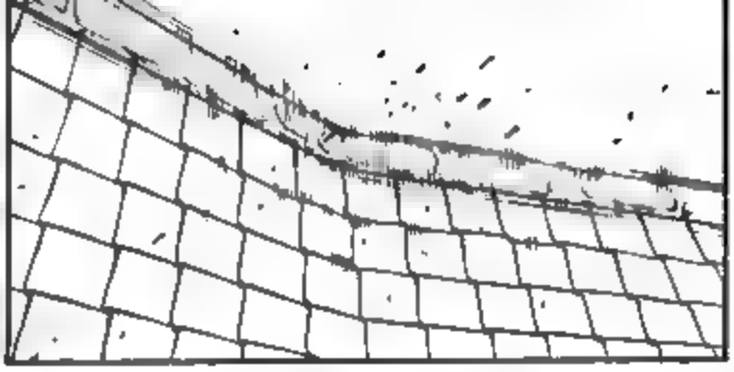
...BACK
HANGER!!!!

Q-CER NOTE. KAMEHAMEHA?





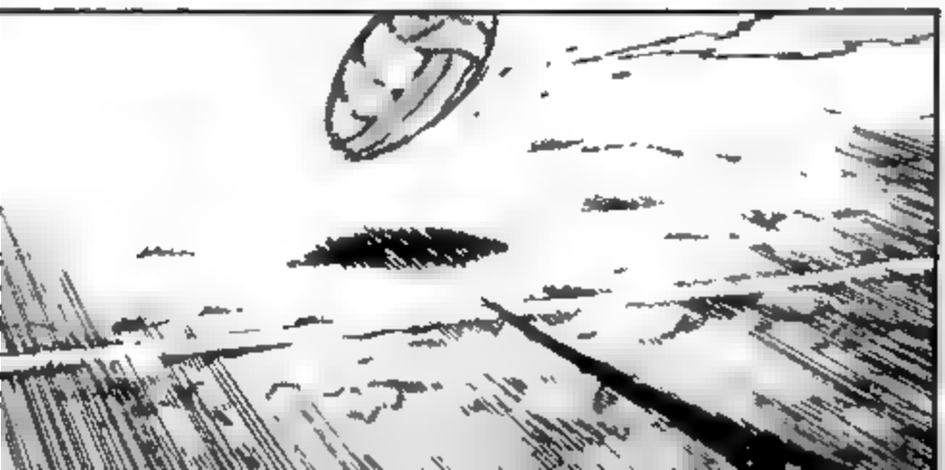


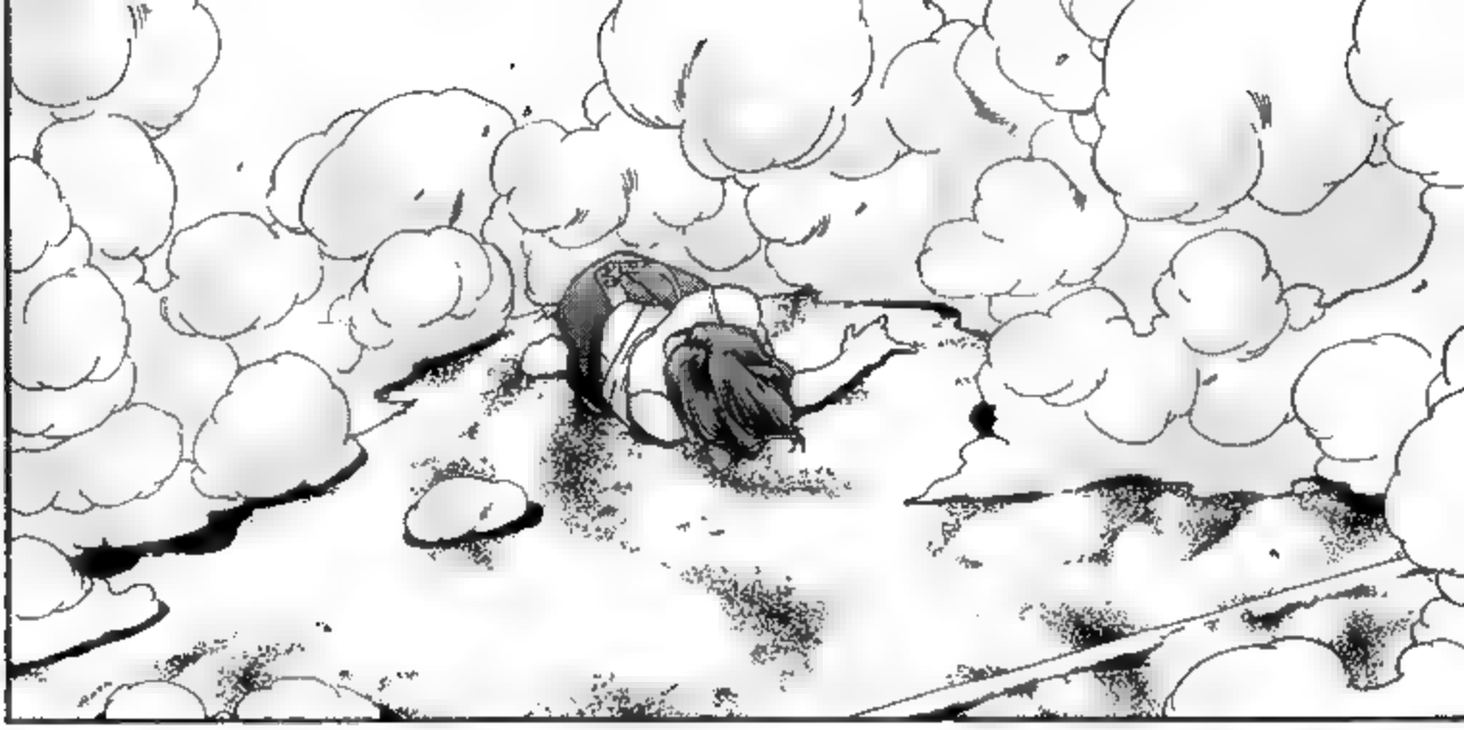


DAMN IT...
NOOO!! THE TRAJECTORY CHANGED!

OH NO ...

THE BALL WILL LEAVE THE COURT!!





MISS RYOKO !!
HI...

... PFF...
HU HU HU...

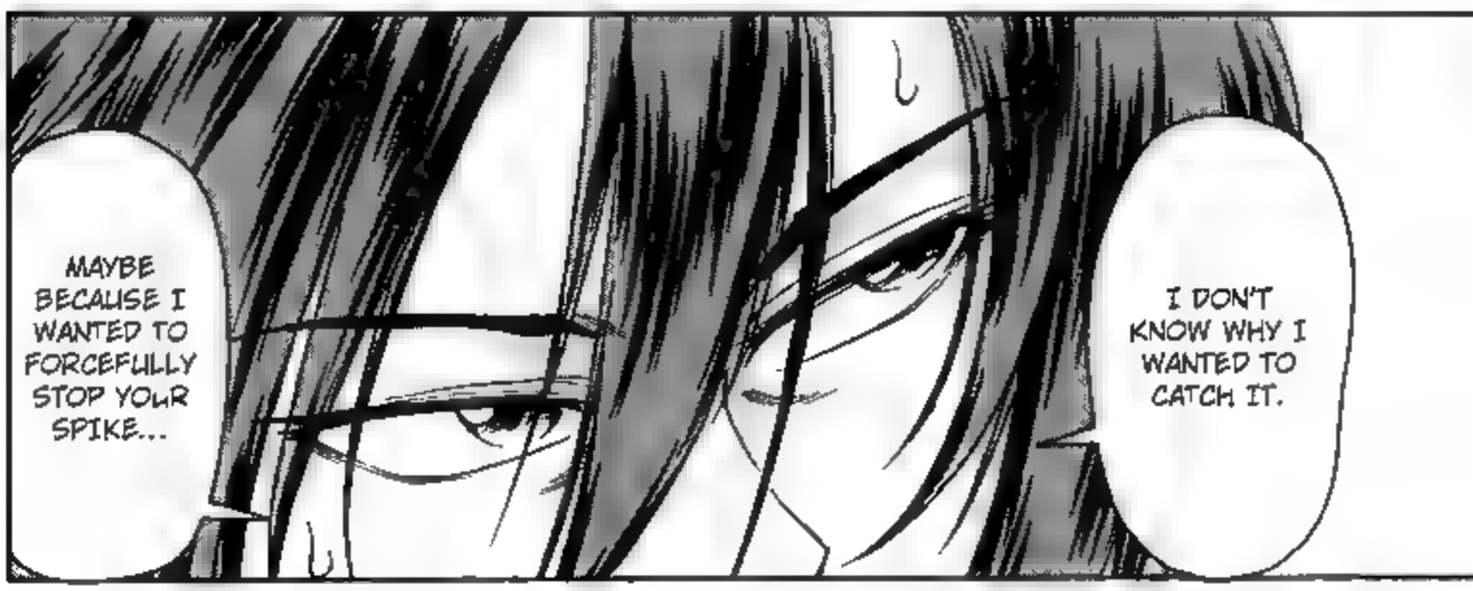
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

.....
HA HA HA HA HA!

I'M BEATEN.

I GIVE UP.
...WHY?
I THINK I JUST SPRAINED MY WRIST.
WHAT?

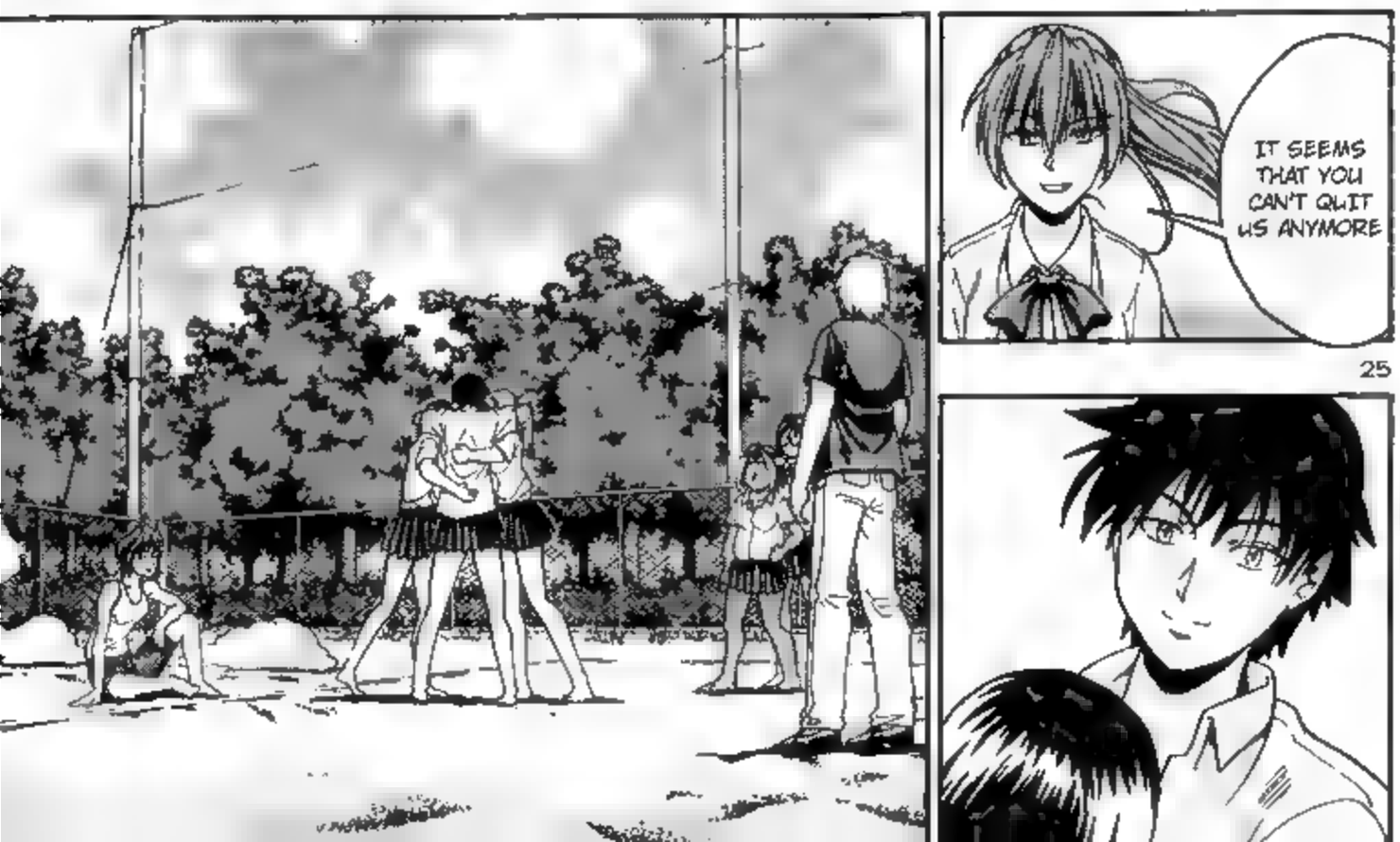
I DON'T KNOW ..
YOU DID THAT SO RIN COULD STAY WITH US?
IF YOU HADN'T TOUCHED THE BALL, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN OUT.


MAYBE BECAUSE I WANTED TO FORCEFULLY STOP YOUR SPIKE...
I DON'T KNOW WHY I WANTED TO CATCH IT.

RIN...

EVEN WITH MISS RYOKO'S STRENGTH, WE COULDN'T BEAT THEM.
FOR ME...

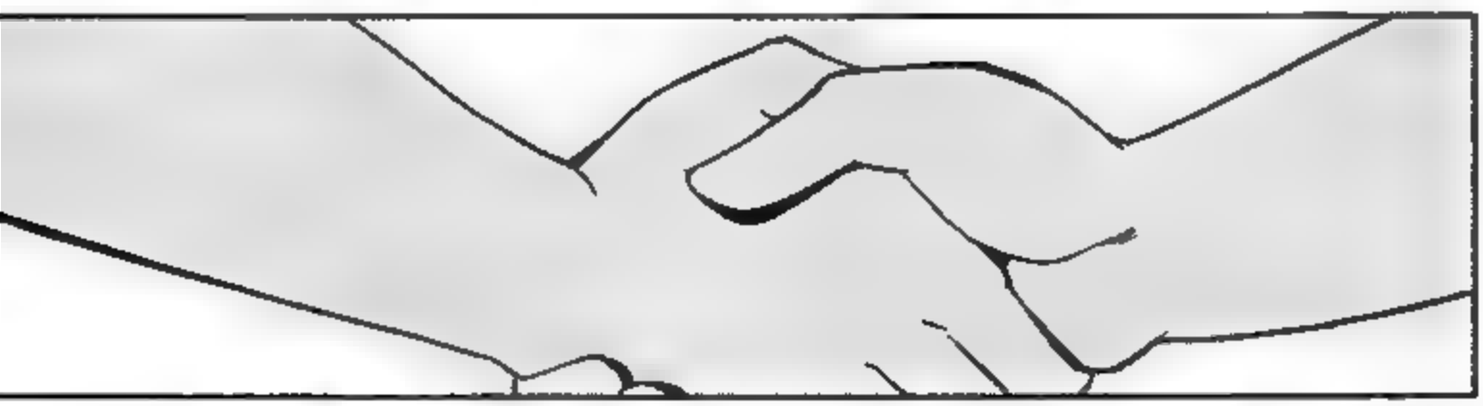
...IT'S ENOUGH!


IT SEEMS THAT YOU CAN'T QUIT US ANYMORE

WELL. FOR A MOMENT, I THOUGHT EVERYTHING WAS OVER!
I'M SO HAPPY, TAKKI!!
DON'T GET SO CLOSE!!

IRUKA IS CAPABLE OF THINKING, ACTING AND BEATING HER OPPONENT ALONE.
THIS GIRL ISN'T A NOVICE ANYMORE ...

I'VE JUST WITNESSED THE BIRTH OF AN EXCEPTIONAL PLAYER.
DO YOU MIND IF WE SHAKE HANDS?
SORRY ?
I'M NOT ASKING AS A COACH..



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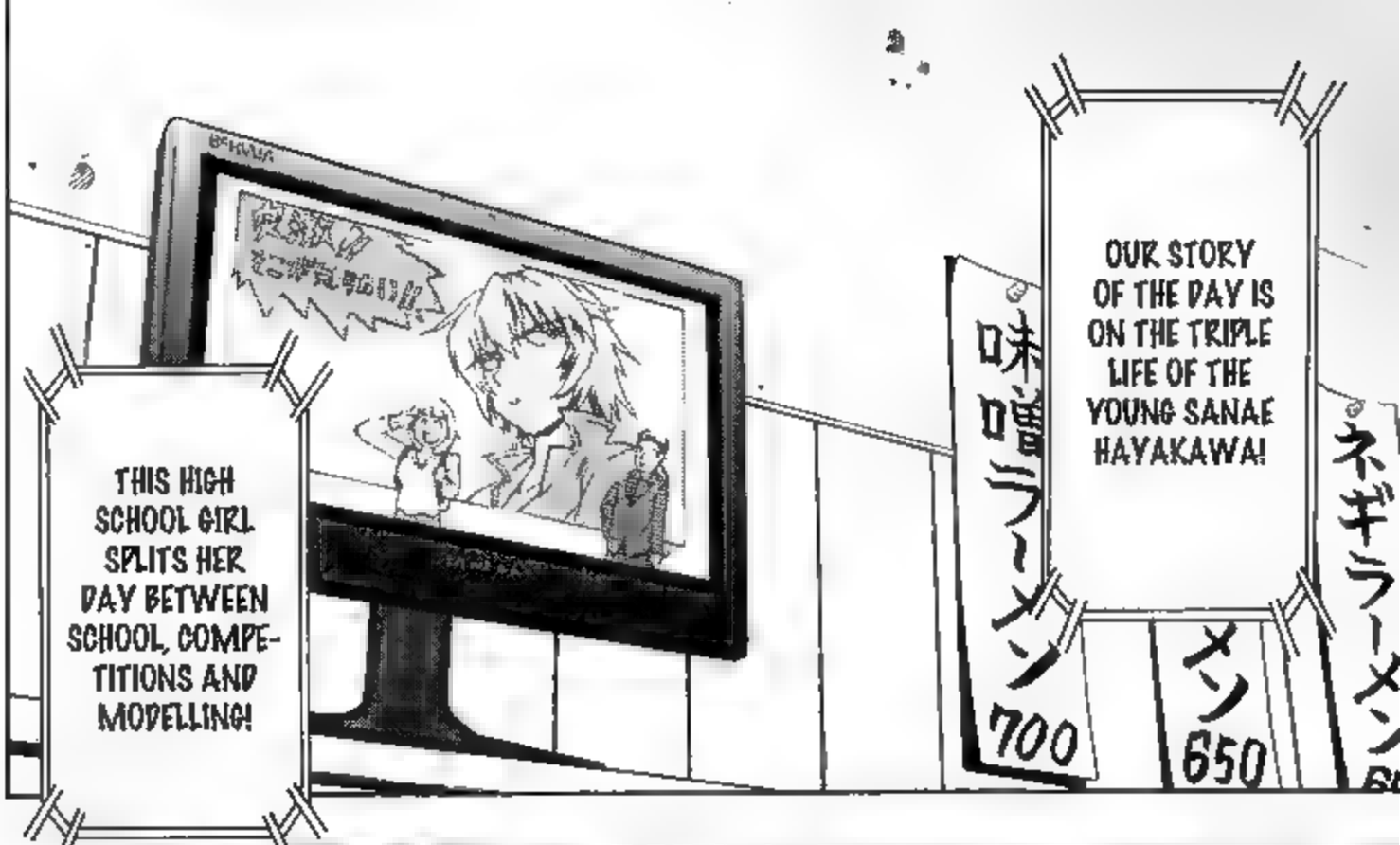
OUR STORY OF THE DAY IS ON THE TRIPLE LIFE OF THE YOUNG SANAE HAYAKAWA!
THIS HIGH SCHOOL GIRL SPLITS HER DAY BETWEEN SCHOOL, COMPETITIONS AND MODELLING!
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ネギラーメン

SHE'S PLAYING IN THE SAME CUP AS NANASE AND THE OTHERS, RIGHT?
OOOH. IT'S SANAE HAYAKAWA!

DESTINATION: EHIME!!
LET'S GO FOR THE MADONNA CUP...
MY DECISION IS TAKEN! I'LL GO TO EHIME TOO!
REALLY?

WITH THEIR OWN OBJECTIVES
IS MOVING FORWARD
EVERYONE

WHILE ON THEIR SIDE, ALL THE BEACH STARS...
... ARE TRAINING HARD FOR D-DAY!!

EHIME
YOU'LL NEVER WIN, HAYAKAWA ...
BECAUSE EHIME IS MY GARDEN.

AOMORI
KAGURA-ZAKA!! WE'RE WITH YOU!!
THANK YOU! I WON'T DISAP-POINT YOU!!

FUKUOKA
YEEESSS!
EHIME WILL BE YOUR TOMB, HAYAKAWA!!

MEANWHILE, HIDING IN THE SHADOWS...
...AN UNKNOWN PLAYER IS PLANNING HER REVENGE...
TOKYO
HOW DARE YOU TEAM UP WITH ANOTHER GIRL?!
YOU BETRAYED ME, SANJEEEE!!
ESPECIALLY SINCE I'M A SEEDED PLAYER TOO!!
DON'T MAKE THE MISTAKE OF THINKING ONLY ONE TEAM WILL REPRESENT TOKYO...

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EVERYONE HAS THE SAME OBJECTIVE...

...TO BRING DOWN
SANAE HAYAKAWA!!

OH OH! GO AHEAD! WE'RE WATCHING YOU!
HAYAKAWA, IN THE NAME OF THE SAND, I WILL PUNISH YOU!

NYARK NYARK NYARK... YOU SHOULD WATCH YOUR BACK, CAPTAIN!

OUCH !!

HI HI HI. .
WHAT ARE THEY DOING ?

SU-PREME PUNISH-MENT!
NOT THE HEAD, NOT THE HEAD!

BUT I CALLED YOU CAP-TAIN...
YOU DARE LIFT YOUR HAND AGAINST YOUR CAPTAIN?! IT'S INSUBOR-DINATION!

おしまい
I DIDN'T DO ANY-THING SPECIAL.
I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR EVERY-THING, MISS.

YOU FINALLY HAVE THE LOOK OF VOLLEY-BALL COACH.

SO IT'S TIME FOR ME TO BE THE ADVISER WHOM THEY CAN COUNT ON DURING THE MADONNA CUP ...
I WAS POWERLESS DURING THE PREFECTURE TOURNAMENT ...

SHE'S ABLE TO WIN THE SYMPATHY OF HER FRIENDS AND TO RALLY THEM AROUND HER. THE POWER OF THE GROUP THUS FORMED ALLOWS HER TO MAKE THE WORLD SHE DREAMS OF EVEN MORE TANGIBLE.
THAT'S ENOUGH! GO BACK TO TRAINING!!
SHE'S PROGRESSING WITH THE POWER OF HER WILL...

ANYWAY, JUST BY LOOKING AT THEM ...

... IT MAKES MY HEART SWAY.

THE END

●SM団ニ入団希望ノ方ハ、日本ビーチスターズ事務局迄、ご連絡下サイ。

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BONUS

MASAHIRO MORIO

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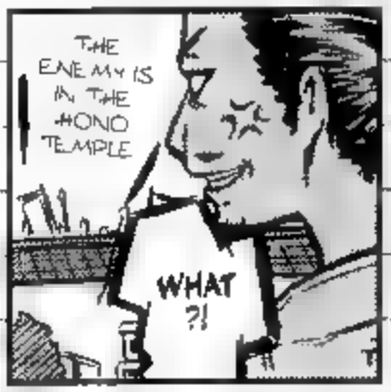
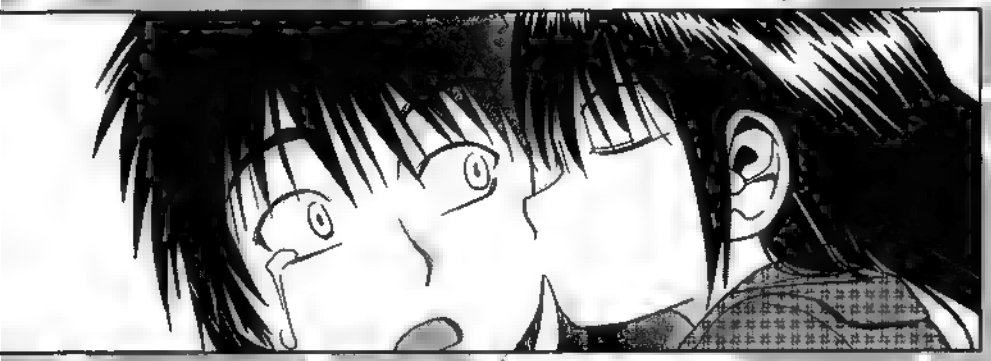
TAII HORIKOSHI



GO AWAY!
YOU'RE CRYING?

SHUT UP!
SAY, MISTER, WHAT'S WRONG?



IRUKA! WE'RE LEAVING!!

YOU MUSTN'T CRY

BONUS
TODAY AGAIN, IRUKA LEFT SOME WORK UNFINISHED
JAPANESE DRUM
YAHAAA! YAHAAA!

WHAT? IT'S IMPOSSIBLE?!
I'M SORRY, I ALREADY HAVE A BOYFRIEND!
TEN YEARS EARLIER

I GOT COMFORTED BY A LITTLE GIRL.
.....
BYE BYE, MISTER!
FOR NOW, I'LL BLEACH MY HAIR WHEN I GET HOME AND I'LL LIVE MY LIFE TO THE FULLEST!
BAAAAH! THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT! BUT IT'S TIME TO CHANGE.
IN FACT, THESE TWO HAD ALREADY MET ONCE, A LONG TIME AGO...

……ということで、

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——そして、イルカは
さらに飛躍して——

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